

Availability

- Program available on first come first served basis.
- Group facilitators dedicated to serve Midland County.
- Small interactive group sessions of 3-12 parents.
- Two classes based on child's age:
 - Infant, Toddler, & Preschool aged
 - School age and Adolescents

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“To improve the lives of the children and families we serve.”

About Us

Adoption Option Inc. was initially founded to provide adoption services, help children in the foster care system, and to share free information about adoption and foster care.

We have continually expanded the types of services offered. In 2010, we began offering a summer program for youth. Subsequently, we began offering family preservation services to help children be reunited with their biological parents. We now provide four types of family preservation programs.

Our agency is pleased to assist families with a diverse array of child welfare services.

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Parents Learning And Nurturing

Group Parent Education Program



Service Area:

MIDLAND COUNTY

PLAN

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- The Group Parent Education Program: Parents Learning and Nurturing (PLAN) provides intensive, group-based parent education which focuses on increasing nurturing parent-child interaction.
- The families and group facilitators work together to enhance the parenting skills during weekly group sessions. The group facilitator and parents will discuss parenting skills, life and home management skills, and parent/child interaction skills. Each family has the opportunity to work on parenting techniques each week and discuss their progress and struggles with other parents in the group.



- Parent Education is provided using the Nurturing Parenting Program developed by Dr. Stephen Bavolek.

Group Program Goals

- Increase nurturing parenting skills while supporting parents to implement new parenting practices
- Administer pre and post assessments to assess and document changes in parenting beliefs.
- Provide services to families that meet their needs, including assistance with transportation and childcare during scheduled group sessions if needed.

Families are provided:

- Presentation of Parent Education topics using a variety of techniques including: games, videos, activities, role playing, guest speakers, and discussion.
- Pre/post assessments using the Adult-Adolescent Parenting Inventory.
- Objectives and Procedures of each group session before beginning the session.
- Opportunities to share feelings and provide feedback on parent education, while also reviewing weekly Home Practice Assignments.
- Parent Education topics including: age appropriate expectations, development, family rules, discipline, etc.
- Transportation is available for the parent and/or child to and from groups.

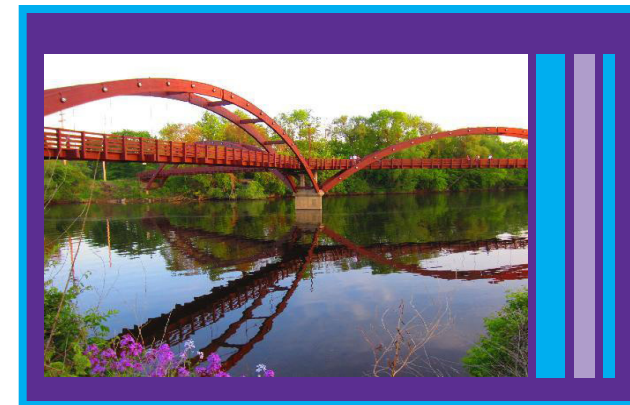
Group Facilitators Provide Referring Agencies

- Attendance reports for group sessions
- Weekly summary reports
- Monthly reports updating progress

Who is Eligible?

- All families with an open Foster Care or Delinquency case.
- All families with an open Children's Protective Services (category I, II, and III) case.
- Families who had a CPS investigation within the past 18 months or had 3 or more rejected CPS complaints.
- Parents willing and able to participate in weekly services to improve parenting skills.

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