



**KENTUCKY  
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TRAINING SUPPORT  
NETWORK**

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## KENTUCKY FOSTER & ADOPTIVE PARENT TRAINING SUPPORT NETWORK

### *Support from Peers*

No one can quite understand the life of a foster or adoptive family like a fellow foster/adoptive parent.

The Kentucky Foster & Adoptive Parent Training Support Network (The Network), is comprised of 15 regional teams. Each team is staffed with experienced foster and adoptive parents who pass on their hard-won knowledge and skills while teaching and uplifting other families.

Network members are also trained in the NETWORK Crisis Intervention method to provide you the best support possible.

## WEATHERING ALLEGATIONS



- ▽ Contact your local Network team for support.
- ▽ The Network can explain the steps of an allegation and investigation.
- ▽ Documentation can be key. Key records of events, dates/times and communications.
- ▽ Be responsive and respectful to staff.
- ▽ Request assistance from DCBS staff in explaining to the children what is happening and why.
- ▽ Call your Network team when you are struggling and need support from someone who gets it.

Where the mandated reporter law allows, confidentiality is maintained in all communication.

## HOW DO INVESTIGATIONS IMPACT FAMILIES?

- ▽ Trauma: Parents express shock and disbelief, possibly another move or temporary move for children.
- ▽ Betrayal: Parents feel their main source of support, social workers, can no longer talk to them.
- ▽ Stigma: Parents feel embarrassed, shame, inadequate.
- ▽ Powerlessness: Parents often feel they have very little information regarding the allegation and must wait out a lengthy and complex process.

