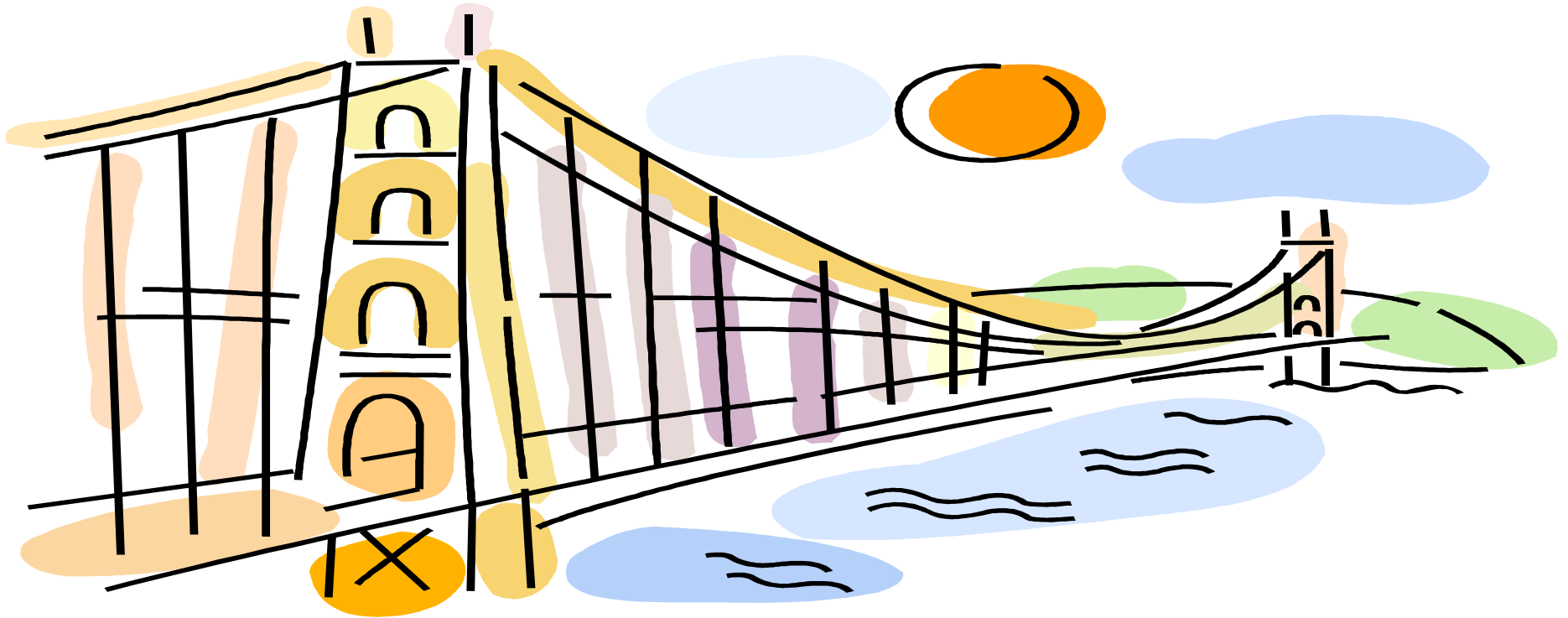


FOSTER PARENTS

BRIDGING THE GAP OF SEPARATION BETWEEN CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES

• A CONTINUUM OF CONTACT •



- EXCHANGE LETTERS W/CHILD'S FAMILY
- CALL CHILD'S PARENT ON PHONE
- REQUEST PICTURES OF CHILD'S FAMILY TO DISPLAY IN CHILD'S ROOM
- GIVE PARENTS PICTURES OF CHILD
- SHARE COPIES OF HOMEWORK AND REPORT CARDS WITH FAMILY
- HAVE POSITIVE VIEW OF BP
- TALK OPENLY WITH CHILD ABOUT FAMILY
- SEND SNACK/ACTIVITY FOR VISIT
- ENCOURAGE PARENT'S PROGRESS
- DRESS CHILD UP FOR VISITS
- PROVIDES WRITTEN INFO FOR SAR
- SHARES PROGRESS REPORTS W/BP
- FP HOSTS/ARRANGES SIBLING VISITS
- BRAG TO BP ABOUT CHILD

- TRANSPORT CHILD TO VISIT
- TALK WITH PARENT AT VISIT
- ENCOURAGE PARENT TO PHONE
- NON-THREATENING ATTITUDE
- MEET CHILD'S FAMILY @ PLACEMENT
- REFER TO CHILD AS "YOUR CHILD" TO BP
- SHARE PARENTING INFORMATION
- ATTEND STAFFINGS, SAR'S, REVIEWS
- HELP BP FIND COMMUNITY RESOURCES
- ENCOURAGE/REASSURE REUNIFICATION
- SHARE CHILD'S LIFEBOOK WITH PARENTS
- ATTEND TRAINING TO LEARN HOW TO WORK DIRECTLY WITH BIRTH PARENT
- LEARN ABOUT, UNDERSTAND AND RESPECT THE BIRTH PARENTS' CULTURE
- REQUEST CULTURAL INFO FROM BP

- TAKE/PICK UP CHILD TO/AT PARENT'S HOME
- SERVE AS PARENT'S MENTOR
- REVIEW CHILD'S VISITS WITH PARENT
- GIVE PARENT'S VERBAL PROGRESS REPORTS
- ASK PARENT TO COME TO APPTS.
- FP TRANSPORTS BP TO MEETINGS
- INVITE BP TO ATTEND SCHOOL PROGRAMS
- ASSIST IN PLANNING CHILD'S RETURN HOME

- WELCOME PARENTS INTO YOUR HOME
- ATTEND PARENTING CLASSES W/PARENTS
- ARRANGE FAMILY VISITS W/PARENTS
- SERVE AS SUPPORT TO FAMILY FOLLOWING REUNIFICATION
- FOSTER PARENTS PROVIDES RESPITE CARE
- INCLUDE BP IN FAREWELL ACTIVITIES

SOCIAL WORKERS

BRIDGING THE GAP OF SEPARATION BETWEEN CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES • A CONTINUUM OF CONTACT •



- ENCOURAGE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION BETWEEN BP AND FP
- HAVE BP/FP EXCHANGE PICTURES
- TALK POSITIVELY ABOUT BP TO FP
- TALK POSITIVELY ABOUT FP TO BP
- SCHEDULE REGULAR/FREQUENT VISITS
- ARRANGE PHONE CONTACT BETWEEN FP/BP
- SHARE ALL INFORMATION WITH FP & BP
- ENCOURAGE FP TO HOST SIBLING VISITS
- SERVE AS LIAISON BETWEEN FP &
- DESCRIBE FP IN NON-IDENTIFYING TERMS AT PLACEMENT
- DEBRIEF FP REGARDING BP PROBLEMS /NEEDS
- EXCHANGE MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORTS WITH BP/FP
- SERVE AS POSITIVE ROLE MODEL TO FP AND BP
- ASSIST FP/BP IN UNDERSTANDING CULTURAL DIFFERENCES
- HELP FP UNDERSTAND THE BP'S NEEDS
- INSURE THAT FP/BP ATTEND MEETINGS
- FACILITATE TALK BETWEEN BP/FP
- HAVE FP AND BP MEET AT PLACEMENT
- ASK BP/FP TO WORK ON LIFEBOOK TOGETHER
- ENCOURAGE BP TO PERMIT FP TO CALL
- SET CLEAR BOUNDARIES FOR CONTACT
- FACILITATE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A POSITIVE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN BIRTH PARENT AND FOSTER PARENT
- ARRANGE AN ICEBREAKER FOR BP/FP
- PARTICIPATE IN VISITATIONS
- ASSIST BP IN WELCOMING FP TO BP HOME
- ENCOURAGE FP TO TRANSPORT CHILD TO HOME
- PERMIT FP TO INVITE BP TO ATTEND ALL APPTS.
- ENCOURAGE FP TO TRANSPORT BP TO AGENCY MEETINGS AND CHILD'S APPOINTMENTS
- ENCOURAGE FP TO ALLOW BP TO CALL FH
- ASSIST FP/BP IN MANAGING CONFLICT
- MEDIATE AND RESOLVE CONFLICTS
- TALK OPENLY WITH BP/FP ABOUT THEIR CONCERNS
- ASSIST FP IN WELCOMING BP TO HOME
- ALLOW FP/BP TO SCHEDULE ALL VISITS
- ENCOURAGE POST REUNIF. CONTACT AFTER REUNIFICATION
- SUGGEST FP PROVIDE RESPITE CARE
- DISCUSS HOW FP CAN SUPPORT BP
- EMPOWER FP TO SET LIMITS RE: CONTACT AND VISITATION

