



TAC is a nationally recognized, evidence-based program sponsored by Family Design Resources, Inc. The program was developed by the Center for Adoption Support and Education (C.A.S.E.) to provide clinicians with the critical competencies needed to provide quality mental health services to those whose lives have been touched by adoption.

Developed in collaboration with national experts in child welfare, mental health and adoption, TAC is the only adoption competency mental health training of its kind, integrating in-depth classroom learning with clinical case consultation. Backed by rigorous research, the program is listed on the California Evidenced-Based Clearinghouse for Child Welfare.

### Program Specifics

TAC is a 12-session (72 hours) competency-based training program, which incorporates six clinical case consultation sessions for licensed mental health clinicians who provide pre- and post-adoption services to prospective adoptive parents, birth parents, adopted persons, and adoptive and kinship families.

**Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and safety concerns, the TAC will be held virtually. All 12 sessions will be held via Zoom.**

Graduates of the TAC receive a certificate of completion and national recognition through posting on the C.A.S.E. website.

### Participant Requirements

- Master’s degree in social work, a counseling field or other related discipline
- A current professional license or under clinical supervision in preparation for licensure in Social Work, Counseling or Psychology
- Experience or interest in working with adopted individuals of all ages, adoptive families and birth families

### TAC Modules

- Module 1:** Adoption History, Law, and Process (Online/At Home)
- Module 2:** Introduction to Adoption Competent Mental Health Practice
- Module 3:** Providing Therapeutic Services: Grief, Loss and Separation in Adoption
- Module 4:** Supporting Children, Youth and Families as They Ready Themselves for Adoption
- Module 5:** Trauma and Brain Neurobiology
- Module 6:** Attachment-Based Interventions with Adopted Children and Youth and Their Families
- Module 7:** Adopted Adolescents and Identity Development
- Module 8:** Birth and Adoptive Families
- Module 9:** Clinical Issues in Working with Adoptive Families: Managing Challenging Behaviors
- Module 10:** Openness in Adoption
- Module 11:** Race and Ethnicity in Adoption
- Module 12:** Integrating Knowledge, Values and Skills

## Pennsylvania TAC 2020 Cohort 1 Training

### Location:

Philadelphia Region—Virtual via the Zoom platform

### Dates/Time

**At home, self led — Module 1**

**10/2/20 — Module 2**

**10/15/20 — Module 3**

**10/29/20 — Module 4**

**11/12/20 — Module 5**

*Adjustment to schedule to accommodate Thanksgiving holiday*

**12/3/20 — Module 6**

**12/17/20 — Module 7**

*Adjustment to schedule to accommodate New Year’s Day holiday*

**1/7/21 — Module 8**

**1/21/21 — Module 9**

**2/4/21 — Module 10**

**2/18/21 — Module 11**

**3/4/21 — Module 12**

### Trainers

Carly King, MSW  
Nicolee Hiltz, Ph.D.

### Cost:

\$1,500 includes all 12 modules, handouts, evaluation materials and participation in six case consultation sessions

## Apply Today

**Application Deadline: September 4, 2020**

To apply to be considered for the next training cohort, visit: <https://www.familydesign.org/programs/tac/tac-application.html>

## For More Information



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