



# Honoring the Birth Parent Connection

Thursday, **March 30, 2023.** 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

ACRF **Webi-Conference (on Zoom)**



Co-sponsored by the Alaska Center for Resource Families, Beacon Hill, and the Alaska Child Welfare Academy

Join us to explore how foster families and birth families can best work together for the benefit of children. We are on Zoom and we will have plenty of interaction, door prizes and fun to offer. Participants can join for selected workshops as well. Foster parents receive training credit for participating.

To join us, email the Alaska Center for Resource Families at

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or call 1-800-478-7307.

## SCHEDULE

9 to 10:30 a.m. *The Voice of Foster Parent—Working with Birth Parents* (Panel)

10:30 to 11:45 a.m. *Approaching Family Contact with Attitude—The Role of the Foster Parent* (Sommer Nielson, Beacon Hill)

11:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.: *If You Are Asked to Supervise a Visit* (Lancy Mao, OCS)

1 to 2:15 p.m. *Tips and Strategies for Family Contact* (Sommer Nielson, Beacon Hill)

2:30 to 3 p.m. *Tools for Connection Outside the Visit* (Maria Vanord, ACRF)

3 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. *The Voice of the Birth Parent* (Alaska Child Welfare Academy)

This conference addresses the Individual Training Plan (ITP) topics of: **Working with Birth parents/Relatives** and **Family Contact, Visits**