

# Adoptions From The Heart® SPRING ED SERIES

AFTH's Fall Ed Series is held on Zoom to welcome families from all over our service area to attend.

**Registration Closes 1 Week Before Classes - Classes Fill Up Quickly**

Ed Series classes fulfill AFTH's CEU requirements

## ***Adoptive Parent Panel: Journey of Open Adoption Through the Years***

An AP panel featuring families placed over 5 years ago, sharing their journey of openness with birthparents and children. They'll discuss how their open adoptions began and evolved over the years.

**Wednesday, April 16th | 6:30-8:00 PM**

Registration deadline: April 9th

## ***Adopting an Older Child: What Adoptive Parents Need to Know***

For adoptive parents considering adopting a non-newborn, including toddlers and school age children, this ed series class will explore issues specific to older children including preplacement visits, medical history, day care and school enrollment, preparing the child to transition into the adoptive family, as well as the open adoption relationship with the birth family. Adoptive parents who have been placed with an older child will share their experiences and answer questions from attendees.

**Wednesday, April 23rd | 6:30-8:00 PM**

Registration deadline: April 16th

## ***Elevating Adoptee Voices: Adoptee Panel***

Come join us in lifting adoptee voices with a panel of adult adoptees of different backgrounds (International Adoption, Domestic Adoption, Transracial Adoption, etc.). You don't want to miss hearing from the most important members of the adoption triad on their experiences, thoughts, and feelings. Panelists will be open for questions from attendees.

**Wednesday, May 7th | 6:00-7:30 PM**

Registration deadline: April 30th

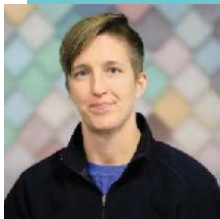
## ***Panel: Navigating Challenging Circumstances with Placement***

Hear from a panel of AFTH adoptive parents who had to navigate various challenging circumstances during their waiting and placement journeys. Panelists will be open to questions from attendees.

**Wednesday, May 14th | 6:00-7:30 PM**

Registration deadline: May 7th

## **Prenatal Drug & Alcohol Exposure - \$100/family**



AFTH aims to help families make informed decisions about their profile keys. Dr. Erin Meyer, a pediatric hospitalist who works in the neonatal intensive care unit and adoptive mom, will discuss the effects of prenatal drug and alcohol exposure, withdrawal symptoms, and short and long-term impacts. Families often feel more confident opening their keys after this class. Questions are welcome.

[Click for a Video Message from Dr. Meyer About the Class](#)

## **Upcoming Webinar Dates**

Link for webinar will be emailed 1-2 business days after registering

- **Tuesday, April 15th | 7 - 8:30 PM**
- **Saturday, July 26th | 10:30AM-Noon**
- **Tuesday, October 28th | 7 - 8:30 PM**

**DEADLINE: 1 week before webinar**

## **6-Hour ON-DEMAND CHILDCARE WEBINAR - \$247/family with AFTH discount**

In collaboration with AFTH, New Parents Academy created a 6-hour course covering Baby Gear, Newborn Care, Soothing, Newborn Sleep, Bonding, and more including five printable/checklists. Access for two years, so videos can be re-watched at any time. On-Demand Webinar [HERE](#).



**Classes are \$30/family unless otherwise noted. Click [HERE](#) to Register**