

# Spring Educational Series

**AFTH's Spring 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



## ***Understanding Birthparent Support at Adoptions From the Heart***

This class will offer an overview on what the BP fund is, how it serves our community and ways that families can donate. We are hoping to include some stories from birthparents who can share how their lives were positively impacted by the AFTH Birthparent Support Fund. Additionally, we are hoping to offer an overview of ways that AFTH can provide on-going support for birthparents, post-placement.

**Thursday, April 9th | 7:00-8:30 PM**

Registration deadline: March 26, 2026

## ***After Placement: Adoptive Families on Change, Growth & AFTH Support***

This class offers the opportunity to hear from placed adoptive parents. We will explore how people's lives/daily routines have changed in becoming parents through open adoption, the realities of parenting and how families have continued to lean on Adoptions from the Heart to support their adoption triad.

**Tuesday, April 21st | 7:00-8:30 PM**

Registration deadline: April 14, 2026

## ***Birth Parent Panel: Honoring The Journey***

Birth parents who placed their children 5–18 years ago will share their adoption journeys, how they chose their adoptive families, their current relationships with their children and adoptive families, and why maintaining open relationships matters. Each panelist brings a unique and powerful perspective. Join us as we elevate birth parent voices and honor their stories.

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

Registration deadline: April 30, 2026

## ***Understanding the Birth Parent's Heart–Mind Conflict***

While financial concerns are often times the reason why birthparents choose adoption for their child, it is not the only reason. It can sometimes be harder to battle your mind vs. heart when the reasons go beyond financial. This class is designed to explore reasons why birthparents consider adoption vs. parenting, and how additional pressure/people can influence their decision.

**Wednesday, June 3rd | 7:00-8:30 PM**

Registration deadline: May 27th, 2026

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



[Click for a Video Message About the Class](#)

AFTH wants families to make informed decisions when completing their profile keys. Dr. Erin Meyer is an internal medicine and pediatric hospitalist who works in the neonatal intensive care unit. She is also an adoptive mom and can speak from both professional and personal angles. She will be discussing the effects of drug and alcohol use on the newborn during pregnancy, as well as withdrawal symptoms and short and long-term effects of exposure. Questions are welcomed.

## ***Upcoming Webinar Dates:***

Link is emailed 1-2 business days after registering

• **Thursday, April 16th | 7:00PM - 8:30PM**

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: 1 week before webinar**

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