



Foster Care Services Training Institute

Community Youth Services ~ 711 State Ave. NE ~ Olympia, WA 98506

**Saturday, January 17, 2009
9am – 12:00pm**

Collaborating with Schools

Presenter: **Scott Hanauer, CYS Clinical Director**

Research demonstrates that the stability of a foster care placement contributes, in large part, to the academic success of the foster youth. This workshop will address some of the educational challenges facing foster youth and their families, including academic deficits and behavioral problems in school. Foster Parents will learn about Individual Education Plans and how they can be utilized to develop collaborative strategies for success at school. The workshop will also discuss the development of plans by foster parents and educators using non-traditional behavior intervention strategies in order to stabilize the youth's behavior at school.

Scott Hanauer is the Clinical Director for Community Youth Services in Olympia, Washington. As Clinical Director, Scott oversees the residential treatment program, family preservation services, family reconciliation services, foster care assessment program and therapeutic foster care. Prior to coming to Community Youth Services, Scott was the statewide out-of-home care director for Children's Home Society of Washington State. Scott's professional experience includes residential treatment counseling; parent development training; individual, group and family therapy; and program management. He wrote a parent education curriculum for the Federal Bureau of Prisons, which he teaches at the Federal Detention Center in Seattle, Washington. He has presented at a number of state, regional and national conferences, including the University of Washington's *Family Centered Practice in Residential Treatment*, Washington State Department of Social & Health Services' *Engaging Birth Families in Foster Care*, and the American Association of Crisis Residential Centers National Conference on *Retaining Staff in Residential Treatment*.

**Remember to pre-register by calling Joan at (360)943-0780 ext 108 or
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