

There are abbreviated materials - "Information Packets" - that are included in this list. This list represents only materials primarily on this topic. However, there are other materials that speak to this topic available in the library (i.e., brief "Articles," etc.). Contact ORPARC for additional materials.

## Disruption/Dissolution

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Material Title: **Adoption and Disruption: Rates, Risks, and Responses**  
 Author: Marianne Berry and Richard P. Barth *Books* 1988 220 pages

This book analyzes the personal and social economy values of adoption and the changing characteristics of adoptive children and families, while providing models of psychosocial adjustment to adoption. The implications for child welfare policy and services are explored in depth with special attention to methods for identifying risk factors and to strategies for maintaining adoptions that have been identified as at-risk for disruption.

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Material Title: **Advanced Parenting: Understanding Trauma and Activities That Heal (CD)**  
 Author: Kay Dechario and Kelly Winters *CDs* 8/6/2011 15 minutes

Presented by Kay Dechario and Kelly Winters of the Center for Child and Family Therapy, Colorado at the 37th NACAC Conference 2011 in Denver, Colorado. This session offers an overview of trauma (definitions, causes, and current perspectives) while focusing on issues that affect adoptive families. The presenters will cover behavioral challenges, school difficulties, and family regulation, and will present activities that enrich attachment, and brain development, and create change. Attendees will be able to begin implementing tools immediately.

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Material Title: **Disruption/Dissolution**  
 Author: ORPARC Staff *Information Packet* 06/01/2017 72 pages

This ORPARC-developed non-return information packet is designed to be used by professionals who are involved in the placement process and to provide support for everyone if the child does not need to move. It is divided into three sections: 1) Understanding the adoptive family and their decision; 2) Helping the child; and, 3) Supporting the caseworker. The packet addresses the effects that broken adoptions can have on children, families, and caseworkers. It also discusses how therapeutic approaches can bring healing and positive development to children experiencing disruption.

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Material Title: **Family Diversity in Education: Foster Care, Kinship Care, Adoption and the Schools (2 CDs)**  
 Author: Shelly Linenberger and Emily Tracy *CDs* 8/6/2011 30 minutes

Presented by Shelly Linenberger & Emily Tracy of The Adoption Exchange, Colorado at the 37th NACAC Conference 2011 in Denver, Colorado. Children in adoptive, foster, and kinship families have unique experiences and needs—often founded on separation, grief, loss, and trauma. These needs and experiences can negatively affect their development and ability to learn and feel safe in a school setting. Families and child advocates can educate the schools and partner with them to reduce potentially traumatic school assignments, uncaring remarks, educational gaps, and conflicts.

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Material Title: **Family Therapy Magazine: May/June 2004**  
 Author: Periodical *Periodicals* ay/June 2004 8 articles

This issue of Family Therapy Magazine, a journal of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy, is dedicated to "Adoption Trends and the Role of Family Therapy." It contains eight articles on adoption. The magazine can be checked out of the ORPARC library just as books or tapes can. Contact us by phone or email if you would like to borrow a copy of this unique issue.

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Material Title: **From Chaos to Calm (2 CDs)**  
 Author: NACAC Conference *CDs* 8/4/11 30 minutes

This item is a recording from the 37th NACAC Conference. Presented by Juli Alvarado, coaching for LIFE! in Colorado. Sometimes in adoption, all goes well and as planned. Sometimes we parents are faced with challenges we could never have anticipated. Parenting children with disruptive behaviors and attachment challenges often leave us feeling scared, frustrated, hopeless, and sometimes even helpless. Join a fellow foster/adoptive parent, therapist, consultant, and trainer for this educational, motivational, and inspirational workshop that will provide you with the tools necessary to transition your home from chaos to calm today!

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Material Title: **Out of Home Placement Issues with Adopted Youth (2 CDs)**  
 Author: Deborah Cave, Lacey Berumen and Lori Ross *CDs* 8/4/2011 22 minutes

Presented by Deborah Cave of the Colorado Coalition of Adoptive Families, Lacey Berumen of NAMI Colorado, and Lori Ross of the Midwest Foster Care & Adoption Association, Missouri at the 37th NACAC Conference 2011. Join this advanced, interactive discussion about what happens when an adopted child or youth needs support that cannot be provided in the home. Far too often, parents are investigated, have a child protective case opened, need to relinquish parental rights, or are otherwise treated like the enemy. In this discussion, we'll explore how to address this challenging problem.

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Material Title: **Post-Adoption Blues, The: Overcoming the Unforeseen Challenges of Adoption**

Author: Dr. Karen J. Foli and John R. Thompson *Books* 2004 225 pages

Drawing on their own experience as adoptive parents as well as interviews with dozens of adoptive families and experts in the field, Drs. Foli and Thompson help parents address the stress and depression that can follow an adoption by focusing on adjusting their expectations of themselves, their child, and others in their world.

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Material Title: **Supporting Foster and Adoptive Families Through Crisis (2 CDs)**

Author: Jayne Schooler and Betsy Keefer Smalley *CDs* 8/5/2011 2 hours

Presented by Jayne Schooler & Betsy Keefer Smalley of the Institute for Human Services, Ohio at the 37th NACAC Conference 2011 in Denver, Colorado. When a child who has experienced abuse, neglect, or trauma enters a foster or adoptive family, the family will be transformed. Most often, this transformation is positive for the whole family. Occasionally, however, the challenge of keeping the child in the home feels insurmountable. This interactive workshop addresses what happens in these foster/adoptive families and how workers can be prepared to guide families from the pain to the other side. This workshop tackles tough and realistic issues faced by families and helps professionals fully understand these issues. Participants will leave the workshop with practical tools to help families assess the impact of fostering or adopting and find strategies to overcome a crisis.

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Material Title: **Unconditional Commitment: The Only Love That Matters to Teens (DVD)**

Author: Pat and You Gotta Believe, Inc. O'Brien *DVDs* 2007 52 minutes

There is a great need for prospective and current parents to become unconditionally committed to the children that they care for, particularly teenagers, in order to prevent disruptions in permanent family homes. The emphasis here is that every child in foster care needs one placement and one placement only, and the challenges to unconditional commitment are explored and addressed. This is the story behind the enormously successful older teen adoption agency, and includes many of the staff, foster and adoptive parents, along with the children they have taken into their hearts and lives.

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Material Title: **Wrongful Adoption: Law, Policy, and Practice**

Author: Madelyn Freundlich *Books* 1998 77 pages

In response to cases where adoptive parents fail to receive accurate or complete information about a child's physical, emotional, or developmental problems, or about the child's birth family and history, these authors examine adoption practice (in relation to disclosure of children's health and other background information), cases that have shaped the legalistic definition of wrongful adoption, significant policy and practice issues, and recommendations for quality adoption practices.

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