



2017 National Adoption Conference Workshop Abstract

Presenter(s): Chauncey Strong,

Presentation Title: Exploring Further Life in Limbo

Topic Area: Promising practices that adoption exchanges, child welfare agencies, and others in the field are using to develop and support foster, adoptive, and kinship families;

Description:

Exploring Further Life in Limbo: This workshop is a follow-up discussion from the morning interactive session Life in Limbo: A Role Play About Life In Foster Care. The objectives of this workshop is to discuss strategies that successfully address sibling issues including effective recruitment for sibling groups and to explore the importance of birth family connections even after an adoption is finalized.

Format: Open Discussion

Presenter(s) Biography:

Chauncey Strong, originally from Newark NJ, earned his BA degree in Social Work from Elizabeth City State University, Elizabeth City, North Carolina, in 1991 and his MSW from Norfolk State University, Norfolk, Virginia in 1993. Mr. Strong is currently a Foster Care Supervisor with Fairfax County Department of Family Services in Fairfax, Virginia. He has worked for 23 years in child welfare including work in foster care, adoption, community based services, and kinship care. He has extensive experience in direct practice, program development & management and community leadership. Mr. Strong is a trainer, consultant, motivational speaker, and a committed advocate for children and families. He has dedicated his career to helping improve the child welfare system and the outcomes for children and families in need.