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**FOSTER PARENT ORIENTATION:
What Every Foster Parent Needs to Know Questionnaire**

URL's for the on-line Videos:

Part 1: <https://vimeo.com/11136735>

Part 2: <https://vimeo.com/10927947>

Part 3: <https://vimeo.com/10927306>

Part 4: <https://vimeo.com/10784680>

PART 1: OVERVIEW

What is Foster Care?

List 3 things about the children in foster care.

What are 2 misconceptions about foster care?

PART 2: SEPARATION AND ATTACHMENT

Why is parenting time so important?

Should a foster parent get attached to the children in their home? Why?

What can a foster parent do to help a child with separation/loss issues?

What are the feelings foster parent have when children leave?

What is the foster parent's role regarding the birth parents?

PART 3: IMPACT OF FOSTERING

What are some things you should think about before deciding to foster?

What are some of the personal characteristics needed to be a foster parent?

What kinds of supports are available for foster parents?

What kind of training do foster parent need? Why?

PART 4: THE LICENSING PROCESS

What are 4 steps involved in getting licensed?

What are 3 of the things licensing workers will assess about your family?

Who decides what kinds of children a foster home should be licensed for?

Why do some families wait a long time before having a child placed?

What are some appropriate reasons for becoming licensed?