WAC 110-147-1500  What is the preservice training requirement for staff and volunteers having direct care responsibility to children/youth? (1) Prior to having responsibility for direct care, staff and volunteers must have a minimum of sixteen hours of the following preservice training, including policies and procedures, job responsibilities and facility administration. This is in addition to the first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation training (CPR) in WAC 388-147-1510 and the HIV/AIDS/bloodborne pathogen requirements in WAC 388-147-1515. Preservice training must be relevant to the type of children and families and the program services you provide. Preservice training will usually include the following:

(a) Child abuse and neglect identification and reporting requirements;
(b) Incident reporting;
(c) Accessing community resources;
(d) Client confidentiality;
(e) Family dynamics and family intervention techniques;
(f) Child development;
(g) Grief and loss;
(h) Cultural needs of children in care;
(i) Sexually exploited youth;
(j) Behavior management and crisis intervention techniques;
(k) Conflict resolution or problem solving skills;
(l) Substance abuse;
(m) Sexually aggressive and physically assaultive training;
(n) Effects of trauma on children; and
(o) Youth supervision requirements.

(2) If your agency is providing international adoption services you must also provide training that covers the Hague Convention Articles and the Hague Council on Accreditation (COA) requirements.

(3) New staff and volunteers must work shifts with fully trained staff until the new staff has completed all required training.

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