

# CW 2016 - Overview of OK Independent Living Program

Level II  
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## PRESENTED BY:

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## TRAINING SITE:

OU / DHS Training Center  
Forum Room  
617 W Rock Creek Road  
Norman, OK 73069

## COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This workshop will provide participants with the philosophy and best practice techniques for staff who work with older adolescents in out-of-home placement. Components of the Oklahoma Independent Living Program will be shared and the guiding policies reviewed. Participants will also learn how to access the available resources in order to maximize the short time we have to prepare our youth for self-sufficiency. A former foster youth will also share their experience of the foster care system.

## TRAINING GROUP:

Participation is limited to 35 Child Welfare Specialists who have pre-registered on KIDS and completed CORE and Level I classes.

## WORKSHOP HOURS:

Registration begins at 9:30 a.m.

**Day 1:** 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

*Participants are reminded that anyone missing more than 30 minutes of a workshop may not receive full credit for the workshop.*

## CANCELLATION:

### **PLEASE DON'T BE A NO-SHOW.**

If you find you cannot attend after you have registered, please e-mail [childwelfaretraining@okdhs.org](mailto:childwelfaretraining@okdhs.org).

## LODGING ACCOMMODATIONS:

Lodging is available at the Sooner Legends Inn & Suites, 1200 24th Avenue SW, Norman, OK 73072. **Call 405-701-8100 to make your lodging arrangements.** A block of rooms will be reserved for training participants until **07/20/2009** and will be direct-billed to CCAN. If you make a reservation after this date has expired, you will be expected to pay for your room and apply for reimbursement through OKDHS. When making reservations please indicate that you are with the OKDHS Overview of OK Independent Living Training.

► **For individuals traveling in excess of 130 (map) miles one way, lodging is available the night before.**

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