

Learn, Share, and Grow at the

# **Full Circle Conference**

## What is Full Circle?

Full Circle is a nurturing space designed to support adoptive and guardianship families. It offers an opportunity to learn from seasoned professionals about the impacts of adoption, guardianship, foster care, and kinship care. This conference highlights the importance of lifelong support and strong family bonds through shared experiences and expert knowledge.

## Who Speaks at Full Circle?

Full Circle has a lineup of engaging speakers including adoptive and foster care experts, child welfare professionals, and advocates. Notable speakers include Debbie Riley, Isaac Etter, Shannon Bingham and more. These speakers bring valuable insights from their diverse experiences in adoption, child welfare policy, and family support.

Full Circle will also incorporate the experiences and perspectives of people who are adopted through an adoptee panel, facilitated by Isaac Etter. Hear from young people who are navigating their lives as adoptees, sharing their unique journeys, challenges, and triumphs. This panel will provide a platform for youth who are adopted to voice their stories, fostering understanding within the community.

Our speaker line-up will inspire and inform attendees, offering practical strategies and compassionate perspectives for everyone touched by adoption.

#### Who Attends Full Circle?

The conference sees attendance from a diverse group, including:

- Adoptive and guardianship families
- Child welfare professionals
- Foster and kinship families
- Students and educators in child welfare
- General attendees interested in family support dynamics

## What Are the Benefits of Attending Full Circle?

Attendees of Full Circle will:

- Gain deeper insights into the challenges and successes in adoptive and guardianship journeys.
- Engage with expert speakers and thought leaders in child welfare.
- Network with other professionals and families to share experiences and growth strategies.
- Access valuable resources and tools for supporting adoptive and guardianship families.

#### What Does Families Forever, a Program of NCHS, Do?

Families Forever offers support and resources to families formed through unique circumstances like adoption and guardianship. This program focuses on creating long-lasting bonds and providing educational materials to help families navigate their specific needs and provide the necessary support for them to thrive long-term.

#### Who is NCHS?

Founded in 1893, Nebraska Children's Home Society (NCHS) has worked to put children first. By providing a variety of services, community resources, and educational programs, they help parents and caregivers make informed decisions to provide safe and loving care for children.

## Join Us



October 24, 2024 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.



Nebraska Innovation Campus, Lincoln, NE



Admission is FREE for all guardianship, kinship and adoptive families. For other attendees, the pricing is as follows:

Foster Family Attendees: \$25 Student Attendees: \$25 Professionals: \$100

General Attendees: \$100

These varied ticket prices ensure that the conference is accessible to everyone within the community, from students to professionals.

## **How Can I Register?**

Secure your spot now by registering here: fullcircle.nchs.org

#### Want to Stay Updated?

For the latest news and updates on the conference, please subscribe to our mailing brigade or follow us on our official social media channels @NEChildrensHome or NCHS.

Come be a part of an enriching day dedicated to understanding and advancing the journey of adoptive and guardianship families. **We're excited to see you there and grow together, full circle!** 

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