

2012 CASA IN-SERVICE TRAINING

January 26 – Thursday – 6-7:30 PM – CASA office

Paula Samms of the Child Advocacy Center will discuss forensic interviewing.

February 21 – Tuesday – 6-7:30 PM – CASA office

Kim Gardner, Lead Clinical Supervisor at Intermountain, will discuss Intermountain's school-based services.

March 6 – Tuesday – 6-7:30 PM – CASA office

Cheryl Ronish and Pat Kemp of Cornerstone Counseling will explain their process of in-depth parental assessments and how to recognize the parents who are good candidates for these evaluations at the outset of a case.

April 10 – Tuesday – 6-7:30 PM – CASA office

Vicki Weida, retired CPS worker, will share her methods for creating attractive, complete life books for foster children.

April 17-19: Statewide Prevent Child Abuse Conference at the Red Lion Colonial Inn in Helena

Organized by Montana's Child and Family Services Division, this conference features nationally recognized leaders in the field of child abuse prevention and treatment. Attendance is free for CASAs, and registration will be available in late February or early March. Attendance at the conference fulfills all 12 hours of the annual in-service training requirement.

May 31 – Thursday – 7-8:30 PM – CASA office

Child and adolescent psychiatrist Dr. Leonard Lantz of AWARE will present a general overview of mental health conditions in neglected and abused children, and his experience in dealing with them.

September 13 – Thursday – 6-7:30 PM – CASA office

Florence Crittenton staff members will present an overview of the Circle of Security parenting training often required in parents' treatment plans.