Suggested Resources for Foster Parents to Explore

Trainers should be sure to access information on the following resources in their communities and provide it to foster parents:

- Educational resources (Early Intervention providers, parent mentors, special education coordinators, etc.)
- Mental health providers who work with families, teens, or children (It is recommended that the counselors specialize in attachment, trauma, etc.)
- Support groups or associations for foster and adoptive families or for parents with children with special health needs
- Health providers in the community (particularly those who accept medical cards)
- Substance abuse counseling programs
- Parent education programs
- Visitation centers in the community
- Other resources available to families with children who have special needs