

# BUILDING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS ...

## Mission

*To promote full productive lives and healthy relationships among children, families and individuals through responsive home- and community-based therapeutic programs, education and support services carefully designed to meet the unique circumstances of our clients.*

## What's New

We are pleased to announce that Autumnleaf Group has recently acquired another medical social work contract with a Northern Virginia based home health agency, bringing our total to six. Our services to the elderly and medically fragile continues to be strengthened through these expanding relationships.

Recently, our CEO, Janine N. Harrigan, LGSW, LSW, was interviewed by a representative of the Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute (CCAI) regarding post-adoption services from a community-based provider's perspective. Located in the District of Columbia, the CCAI focuses on all types of adoption in addition to foster care and orphan care.

The CCAI is working closely with the Evan B. Donaldson Adoption Institute, which is located in New York. The CCAI is convening a congressional briefing to take place on May 10th, 2011 on Capitol Hill. This briefing is on the topic of post-adoption services. Ms. Harrigan has been invited to attend this briefing. Because our team believes that post -adoption services for children and families is critical, we regard the efforts of CCAI as invaluable.

For more information on CCAI, please visit: [www.ccaainstitute.org](http://www.ccaainstitute.org)

In other news, we are pleased to state that Autumnleaf Group's Five-Year Report is complete and will be distributed to the community this month!

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*Summer is fast approaching! Start planning now in order to spend quality time outside with loved ones.*

## Our Programs

- Adoption & Attachment Program
- Family Life Center
- Case Management Services
- Intensive In-Home Services

For more information, please visit:  
[www.autumnleafgroup.com](http://www.autumnleafgroup.com)

## Upcoming Educational Series



*Happy Mother's Day to all the moms who make our lives extra special!*

**Other Observances for this Month:**

- Foster Care Month
- Memorial Day

### Parenting with Love & Logic Educational Series

Parenting with Love & Logic is a unique approach to parenting that helps to raise children who are self-confident, mature and able to think on their own by emphasizing consequences and taking personal responsibility for their actions. All parents, including foster parents and grandparents would benefit from this informative group. Even professionals who work closely with children can benefit from this information. The format of the sessions consists of: short videotaped segments (featuring Jim Fay and Foster Cline describing their parenting approach with humorous and memorable stories), facilitator-led concepts expansion with group discussion and practice, and participant discussion of their own experiences and specific issues around parenting.

The scheduled series are as follows:

#### Series 1

**When: Saturday, May 21 &  
Saturday, May 28  
9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**

#### Series 2

**When: Wednesdays (6 Sessions)  
May 25th - June 29th  
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.**

Cost: \$142 per family (includes all materials)

**SPACE IS LIMITED, SO PLEASE SIGN UP NOW!**

  
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