

# Caseworker Certification Training Outline

Charting the Course Towards Permanency for Children in Pennsylvania: A Knowledge Skills-Based Approach to Casework Practice,” is a 120-hour curriculum conducted over 20 days of classroom training and includes a group meeting with your Supervisor in the process. These 20 days are presented in fifteen sessions:

1. Introduction to Pennsylvania’s Child Welfare System..... 1 Day
2. Introduction to Pennsylvania’s Child Welfare Practice..... 1 Day
3. Using Interactional Helping Skills to Develop Caseworker-Client Relationships ..... 1 Day
4. Overarching Framework for Practice ..... 1 Day
5. Identification and Assessment of Child Abuse/Neglect ..... 2 Days
6. Safety Assessment ..... 2 Days
7. Risk and Family Assessments..... 2 Days
8. Screening, Investigation, and Documentation ..... 1 Day
9. Child Development ..... 1 Day
10. Introduction to Community and Community Partnerships/Panel..... 1 Day
11. Family Service Planning Process/Case Transfer and Closure ..... 2 Days
12. The Court Process..... 1 Day
13. Out of Home Placement and Visitation ..... 2 Days
14. When Reunification is not in the Best Interest of the Child ..... 1 Day
15. Applying Knowledge and Skills to Achieve Outcomes ..... 1 Day