

NACC RED BOOK TRAINING COURSE

SPRING 2024

FALL 2024

COST

COURSE DESCRIPTION

COURSE SYLLABUS

Tuesdays, Apr 16 – Jun 4

Tuesdays, Sept 24 – Nov 12

All sessions are 5:00–6:30PM ET.
See page 2 for session details.

NACC Members : \$225 / Nonmembers : \$300

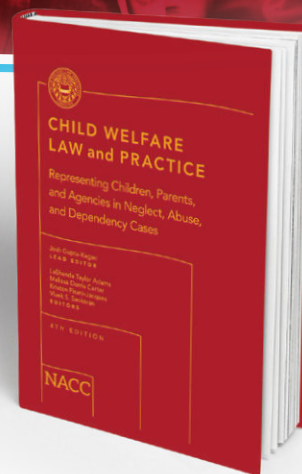
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Looking to brush up on your knowledge of federal child welfare law and learn tips to enhance your representation of children, parents, or the agency? Then join us for the Red Book Training Course!

NACC's signature Red Book Training Course covers major dependency practice competency areas and is designed to assist you in preparing for the Child Welfare Law Specialist (CWLS) examination. The course is based on NACC's legal treatise, *Child Welfare Law and Practice: Representing Children, Parents, and Agencies in Neglect, Abuse, and Dependency Cases, 4th Edition* (the Red Book). During eight weekly webinars, the presenter will assist participants in breaking the material down, focusing on important concepts, and learning CWLS exam-taking strategies.

Registration includes the live sessions, the downloadable RBTC workbook, and temporary access to the electronic version of the Red Book and session recordings to view on-demand.

IMPORTANT : The following page includes the sections of the Red Book and corresponding chapters that will be covered in each session. Prior to each week it will be helpful (but not required) if you have read the chapters and sections that will be covered. This course will not cover every chapter in the Red Book. The instructor has made intentional decisions about what information to cover in the time that is allotted for the course. If a chapter is not covered, that does not mean that content from that chapter will not appear on the exam. Therefore, you should incorporate any chapters that are not covered into your self-study plans.



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RED BOOK TRAINING COURSE SYLLABUS

RBTC SYLL-2401

SESSION 1 : Section I: Overarching Legal Structure and Themes *90 minutes*

- CHAPTER 1 :** Constitutional Right to Family Integrity
- CHAPTER 2 :** History of Child Protection Law
- CHAPTER 3 :** Federal Child Welfare Legislation
- CHAPTER 4 :** Racial Justice

SESSION 2 : Section I: Overarching Legal Structure and Themes and Section II: Legal Case from Beginning to End *90 minutes*

- CHAPTER 5 :** Parents and Children with Disabilities
- CHAPTER 6 :** LGBTQ+ Justice
- CHAPTER 7 :** Indian Child Welfare Act
- CHAPTER 8 :** CPS Investigations Overview
- CHAPTER 9 :** Parents' Rights in Child Protective Services Investigations

SESSION 3 : Section II: Legal Case from Beginning to End *90 minutes*

- CHAPTER 10 :** Removal Standards and Reasonable Efforts
- CHAPTER 11 :** Adjudication: Defining Abuse and Neglect
- CHAPTER 12 :** Disposition & Reunification
- CHAPTER 13 :** Establishing Legal Permanence for the Child
- CHAPTER 14 :** Terminating a Child's Relationship with their Parent
- CHAPTER 15 :** Appellate Advocacy

SESSION 4 : Section III: Discrete Issues *90 minutes*

- CHAPTER 16 :** Educational Advocacy
- CHAPTER 17 :** Foster Parent Rights, Roles, and Responsibilities
- CHAPTER 18 :** Representing Non-Offending Parents
- CHAPTER 19 :** Preventing Crossover and Representing Dual-Status Youth
- CHAPTER 20 :** Mental Health Evaluations and Treatment for Parents and Children
- CHAPTER 21 :** Confidentiality
- CHAPTER 22 :** Representing Transition Aged Youth

SESSION 5 : Section III: Discrete Issues *90 minutes*

- CHAPTER 23 :** Child Trafficking
- CHAPTER 24 :** Collaborative Processes and Family Engagement
- CHAPTER 25 :** Interstate Issues
- CHAPTER 26 :** Collateral Proceedings
- CHAPTER 27 :** Immigration Issues: Representing Children and Parents Who Are Not United States Citizens
- CHAPTER 28 :** Social Security Benefits and Child Protection

SESSION 6 : Section IV: Lawyering Roles *90 minutes*

- CHAPTER 29 :** Lawyers for the Agency
- CHAPTER 30 :** Lawyers for Parents
- CHAPTER 31 :** Lawyers for Children
- CHAPTER 32 :** Preventative Legal Advocacy
- CHAPTER 33 :** Multidisciplinary Advocacy
- CHAPTER 34 :** Trauma and the Child Protection System

SESSION 7 : Section V: Essential Lawyering Skills *90 minutes*

- CHAPTER 35 :** Trial Skills
- CHAPTER 36 :** Special Evidentiary Issues
- CHAPTER 37 :** Achieving Large-Scale Change Through Systems Advocacy

SESSION 8 : Critical Thinking and Case Scenarios *90 minutes*

In this session, attendees will apply what they have learned in previous sessions to hypothetical fact patterns and case scenarios in order to demonstrate understanding of the core concepts in the Red Book Training Course. The presenter will use multiple choice questions and practice essays to enhance critical thinking and test the core competencies of high-quality legal representation.