

The OFI Monthly

◆ October 2026 ◆

Building Hope. Strengthening Families. Shaping Futures.

Partners and Friends,

As we welcome the changing season, fall reminds us that change can bring both uncertainty and new possibilities. Just as the leaves begin to change and nature prepares for a new season, the families and youth we serve are often navigating seasons of change in their own lives.

During uncertain times, hope can be a powerful source of strength. Hope reminds us that today's challenges do not define tomorrow and that, with the right support and meaningful connections, brighter futures are possible.

At Omni Family Institute, we are grateful for the families, caregivers, and community partners who help make that hope possible. Your commitment, collaboration, and dedication create opportunities for youth and families to grow, heal, and move forward—one step at a time.

As we enter this new season, we invite you to continue building hope with us. Together, through connection and support, we can help create stronger foundations and brighter futures for the children and families we serve.

Thank you for being an important part of this journey.

Mindy Kiser & Team





Learning With OFI



Together Facing the Challenge (TFTC)

Quarter 4 Virtual Staff Training
\$70/ participant

November 9-13, 2026

14 CEs available through NASW (approval #886954021-7391)

TFTC Agency Master Trainer Institute

\$500/ participant

November 17, 2026

In-person training: Nashville, TN

**TRAINING INFORMATION &
REGISTRATION CAN BE FOUND HERE!**

TFTC Thursdays are BACK!

Join us for our Quarter 4 series on Trauma Informed Consequences presented during TFTC Thursdays beginning in October 2026 from 2:00–4:00pm ET.

Agency Master Trainers, Coaches, and Caregivers are all welcome to join the conversation for free, as we talk about tangible corrective interventions that maintain green balls as the priority for our youth's invisible suitcase.

Click to Register:

October 15, 2026- Natural and Logical Consequences

November 5, 2026- Using Do-Overs

December 10, 2026: Green Ball Behavior Management



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TFTC Mobile App



For more than 30 years, Together Facing The Challenge has helped transform caregiving through evidence-based practices. Now, the TFTC App brings those same trusted tools and resources directly to your mobile device, making support available whenever and wherever you need it.

**How the TFTC app helps
you do your job more
efficiently and effectively:**

Strengthens connections with
caregivers

Convenient access to
resources for coaches and
caregivers

Better communication with
caregivers

Track behaviors and progress
more efficiently

**Contact us to
learn more!**



Simple Ways to Build Hope for our Youth and Families

Build a Safe, Consistent Relationship

Be someone the youth can count on. Consistency and trust help create a foundation for hope.

Help Them Recognize Their Strengths

Point out the qualities, skills, and accomplishments they already have—especially when they struggle to see them themselves.

Celebrate Small Wins

Notice progress, effort, and positive choices. Small successes can help youth believe that change is possible.

Give Them a Voice and Choice

Whenever possible, let youth make appropriate choices about their lives. Having a voice can restore a sense of control and possibility.

Set Realistic, Achievable Goals

Help youth identify something they want to work toward and break it into manageable steps.

Create Opportunities for Connection

Encourage positive relationships with caregivers, coaches, mentors, teachers, and peers. Hope grows through meaningful connection.

Help Them Imagine a Positive Future

Talk about their dreams, interests, and possibilities—not just what has happened in the past.

Teach That Setbacks Don't Define Us

Help youth understand that mistakes and difficult days are part of the journey and don't erase their progress.

SAVE THE DATE

Cultivating Hope Summit

✦ **March 3, 2027 • Franklin, TN** ✦

Mark your calendars for the Cultivating Hope Summit taking place on March 3, 2027 in beautiful Franklin, TN!

This summit is designed to bring together professionals, partners, and leaders committed to creating hope-centered, trauma-informed systems of care.

ATTENDEES CAN LOOK FORWARD TO:



A special happy hour gathering and celebratory poster board session on March 2



Engaging workshops



Meaningful networking opportunities



Dynamic keynote speakers



Opportunities to connect with Dr. Chan Hellman and Dr. Angela Pharris

HOTEL INFORMATION

Hotel room blocks are now open, but availability is limited, so secure accommodations early.



Booking link



Group number: 10180542



Cutoff to receive group rate:

Tuesday, February 2, 2027

REGISTRATION INFORMATION



Cost: \$150/participant

Group discounts available for 3 or more tickets. Contact OFI staff at **info@omnifamilyinstitute.com**.

We cannot wait to celebrate what has been accomplished and continue to cultivate hope alongside you! We hope you will join us for this exciting event!

✦ **Registration is now open — click [HERE](#) to register today!** ✦