



Beneath the Mask: Adoption through the eyes of adolescents

Adoption influences and intensifies the normal tasks adolescents must accomplish (e.g. separation from parents, identity formation, decisions relating to sexuality, etc.). Struggling with this extra layer of challenges and reconciling their past and future identities can trigger mild and sometimes serious emotional/behavioral issues both at home and school – particularly adopted teens who are raised by parents of a different race or culture. Debbie Riley facilitates a compelling training session, weaving in some of the teen-written excerpts included in her book, *Beneath the Mask: Understanding Adopted Teens*.



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When: Wednesday, October 20, 2010

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.

Where: Department of Human Services
1899 Willamette Street
Eugene, OR 97401

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

Register at 1-800-764-8367, 503-241-0799, or e-mail orparc@nwresource.org

- ✓ *Morning and afternoon beverages and snacks provided*
- ✓ *Lunch is "on your own" from 12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m.*

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