International Child Welfare Learning Collaborative

Purposes of the collaborative are:

- To exchange information and knowledge about the US and Japan’s foster care systems, policies and practice.
- To give IFCA’s young members opportunities to prepare their presentations and to present their own experiences and gathered information in a public environment.
- To bring awareness of all participants that child welfare is a global issue that touches everyone’s lives.
- To spread the word about the TOMODACHI Foster Youth Leadership Program

Date: Sunday, July 31st
Time: 12:30 PM to 5:00 PM
Venue: University of Washington, Mary Gates Hall
Admission: Free [Handouts and snacks/drinks will be provided for the audience]
Facilitators: Janice Cole and Daniel Lugo

11:45 AM Lunch and Event Preparation [All alumni members and professional speakers will be provided with catered lunches. Alumni members are requested to come on time to set up the classroom.]
12:00 PM Event guests sign in at the door.

IFCA US Japan Foster Care Alumni Teams’ Presentations:
12:30 PM Mission and Goals of IFCA by Chihiro Sato
12:35 PM Presentation on the Japanese Foster Care System by Yusuke Nakahara and Susumu Yamanouchi
1:05 PM Report on the IFCA Japan Team’s Current Advocacy and Other Activities by Chihiro Sato and Yasuharu Tsutsui
1:20 PM IFCA’s Impact on Alumni Members by Daniel Lugo, Sang-Won Yu and Janell Braxton
1:30 PM Break (10 Minutes)

Child Welfare Professionals’ Presentations:
1:40 PM Dee Wilson - Overview of the US and Washington State Foster Care Systems
2:40 PM Carol Overbeck – The US Children’s Bureau and the Principle of Data Driven Child Welfare Practice
3:20 PM Larry Nelson – Roles and Responsibilities of Child Protection Social Worker
4:00 PM Break (10 Minutes)

Alumni Panel Discussion:
4:10 PM Panel Members [Michael Adams, Thalia Garcia, Alissa Neuman, Yukako Numata and Tatsuki Takahashi]
4:40 PM Clean up

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