

CASA of Deep East Texas

In-Service Guidelines

Continuing Education Credit for Reading, Research, Etc.

- 1) Any book or magazine article that you have read, if it relates to child welfare in any way (or to any of the many subjects that you need to have a decent knowledge of, if you are going to be as effective as you can possibly be in your CASA role). What we need is the title of the book/article, the Author, the publish date, the Publisher (if a book), the number of pages, the date that you completed reading it, and a short (one or two paragraphs) synopsis of the major "learnings". If the reading time was particularly long or short, give us the actual time. Otherwise, we will be giving 2-hours credit for books, and 15-30 minutes credit (depending on the number of pages) for articles.
- 2) Any formal training (relative to this field) that you have accomplished completely on your own or as a part of your employment; or as a member of a professional organization, a church, a support group, etc. Just send us a copy of the training certificate.
- 3) Any event that you attended, which you feel has furthered your knowledge in this field. Just send us all of the facts (including a short explanation of the learning experience). The amount of credit given for this will depend on the actual amount of time devoted to it, and the depth of the value.
- 4) Any television documentary or "news-type" program that you have been able to see from beginning to end, which you feel has furthered your knowledge in this field. Again, just send us all the facts, etc (as stated in number 2 above).
- 5) Any lengthy research that you have done on the internet, in a public library, etc - either as a part of your casework or as a means of simply increasing your knowledge in this field. Once again, follow the instructions in numbers 3 & 4 above - in order to receive continuing ed. credit for this type endeavor.