

The Norwegian status on Kinship Training Current and Future Program.

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Kinship training in Norway

- Overview
- Kinship care in Norway
- Framework for kinship carers
- Professional recommendations
- Current Training program
- Current knowledge- Research



Overview

- Two levels of the Child Welfare system, headed by the The Norwegian directorate for Children, Youth and Family affairs (Bufdir)
- **The Municipal** Child Welfare Services (284 offices)
- **The state level** The Office for Children, Youth and Family Affairs (Bufetat) (5 regions)
- *National Center for Excellence in Foster care Training (COE)*



Norwegian definition of Kinshipcare

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Kinship includes:

Family: grandparents, uncles and aunts, siblings and more.

Near network:

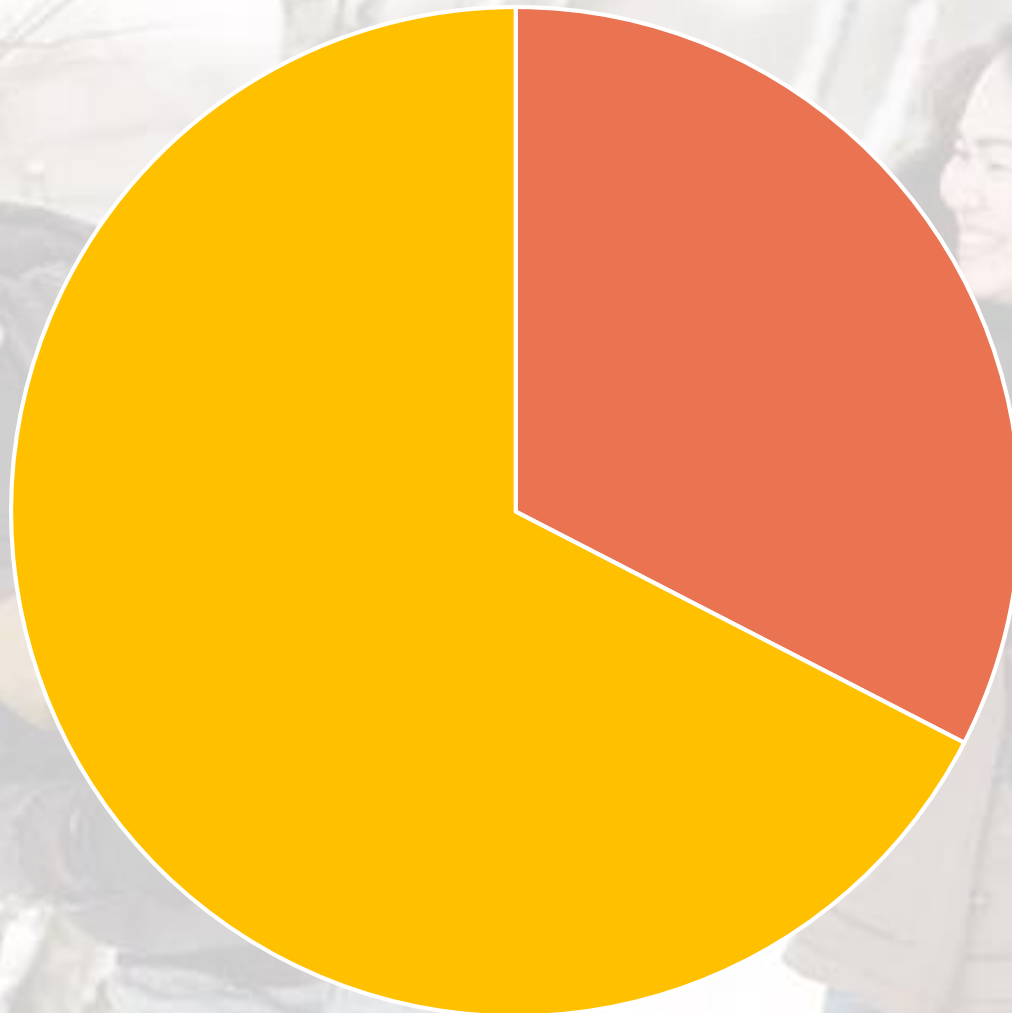
activity leaders, friends and others in local environment.



Placements Distribution 2020

■ Kinship care

■ Ordinary foster care



The framework conditions of kinship care in Norway



- Kinship first
- Goal is to increase kinship placements
- Mandated training in advance of placement.
- Kinship families have the same rights and duties as other fostercarers.
- The value of kinship care

PRIDE - kinship families

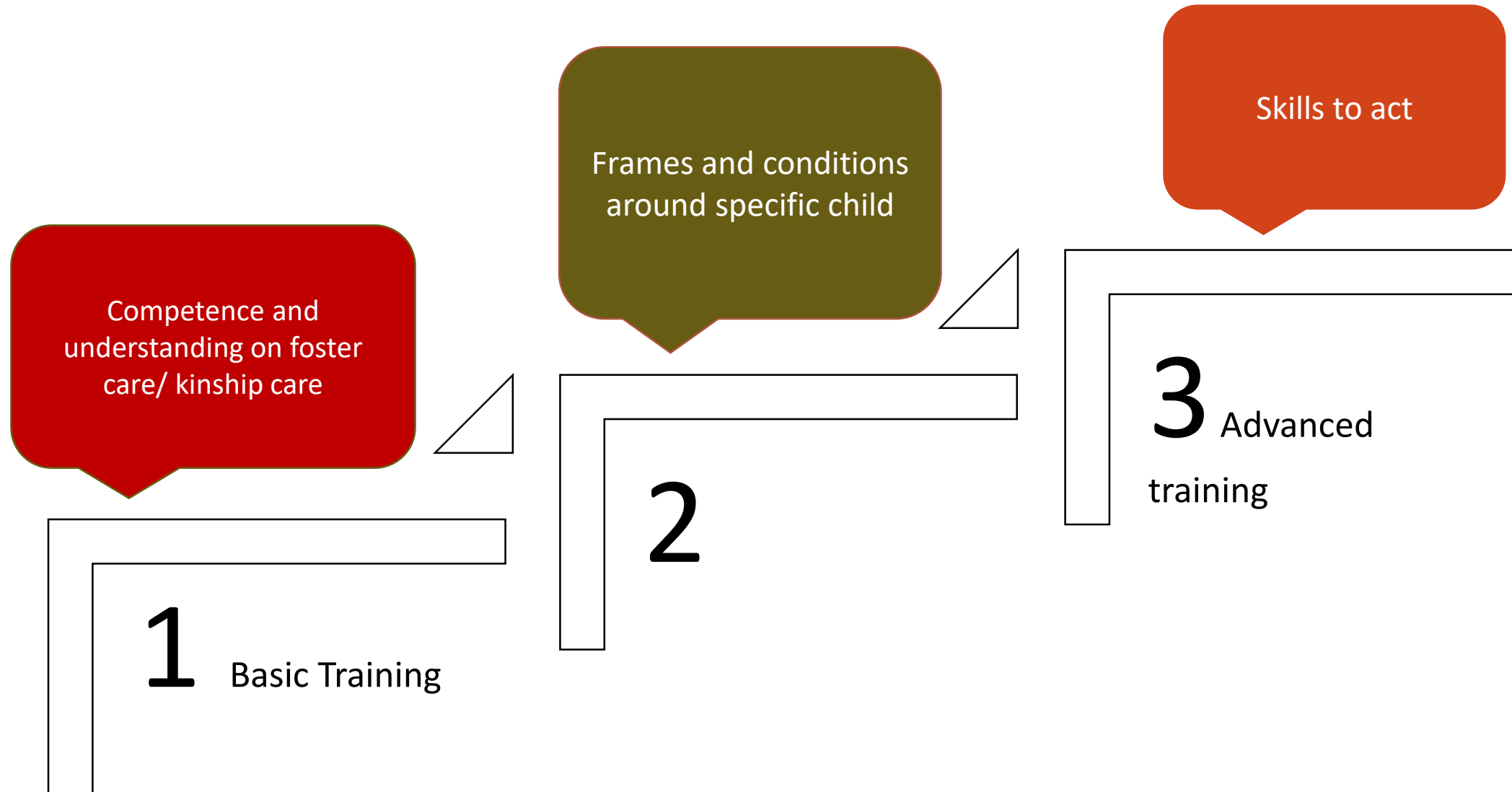
- **History**
 - PRIDE kinship courses since 2008
- **Revisions**
 - cultural rights
 - involvement rights
 - attachment theory
 - trauma informed care



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Three step training- Knowledge to understand, skills to act.



Digital training and meetings

Professional toolbox



Flexible platform

Tailor made knowledge

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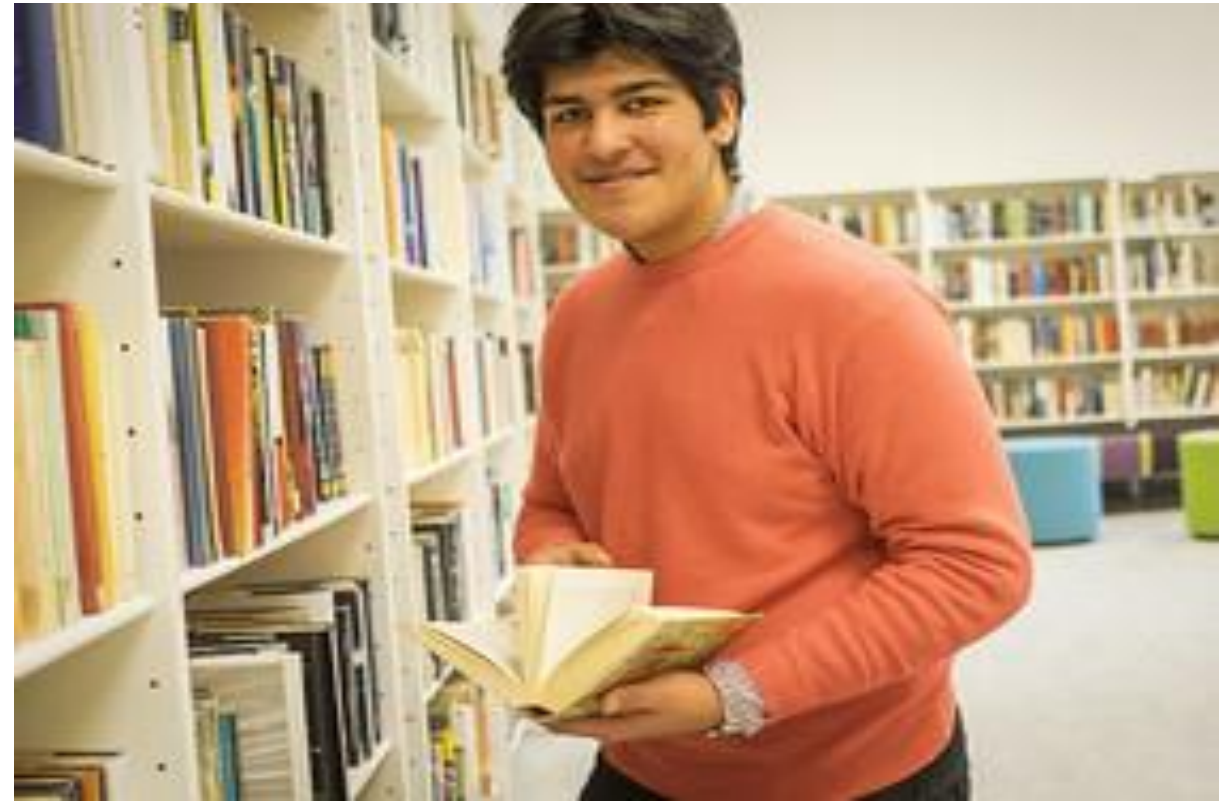
A screenshot of a digital training interface. It features two Polaroid-style photo frames on a light green wood-grain background. The left frame shows a woman and a young boy. The right frame shows a family of six people. Between the frames are two dark blue text boxes with white text. A progress bar is visible at the bottom left of the interface.

Hvorfor kan ikke alle barn bo hos foreldrene sine?

Hvordan blir det for deg?

Research

- > When family members become kinship parents, this will lead to changes in family relationships and changes in their perceived family structure.
- > The difference lies in the obligations and emotional quality among other factors. The conditions that are simultaneously considered the strengths of kinship homes, can at the same time be challenging.
- > It is of importance to us to take into consideration the Norwegian and foreign research, when politics, guidance and training are handled.



(Holtan, Thørnblad, Skoglund, Eide, Sundt, Backe-Hansen)

Dear kinship family!

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Sometimes, being a kinship family weighs
heavier, then any trainer can understand.**

***“I found myself in my kinship family. And I
saw my foster mother and my mother
developing deep conflicts rooted in love from
both sides.”***

**Through political rights, guidance and training,
we can help support the families and
contribute with necessarily scaffolding!**

