

# Positive Indian Parenting Class

OST Native Healing Program  
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This Positive Indian Parenting curriculum is designed to provide a brief, practical, and culturally specific training program for Indian parents. The first goal of the curriculum is to help Indian parents explore the values and attitudes expressed in traditional Indian child-rearing practices and then apply those values to modern parenting skills. Since there is no one tradition among Indian people for child-rearing, several examples from numerous tribes are used. When we speak of traditional, we are referring to the old ways-ways that existed prior to white influence. Because the concept of traditional varies among people we will refer to these ways as old ways or historical ways. It is up to everyone using this material to tailor the old ways to fit their own community. There are some universal values, attitudes, or customs that may be expressed differently in local communities, which give the trainer a basis to build on. These universals include the oral tradition, storytelling, the spiritual nature of child-rearing, and the role of extended family. It is the assertion of this curriculum that valuable lessons are to be learned from the old ways and that Indian parents can find strength in cultural traditions.

A second goal of Positive Indian Parenting curriculum is to help parents develop positive and satisfying attitudes, values, and skills that have roots in their cultural heritage.

## Online Class Information

- Conducted by the OST Native Healing Program Clinical Supervisor Marcie Sprague MSW, CSW-PIP, LAC
- Download Zoom
- **8 Sessions**
- 1.5 hours per each session
- Contact Number 605-342-8925
- Fax Number 605-718-3022
- Certificate upon completion of class