SAFE-FIT (Support and Family Education for Families in Transition) is a therapeutic parent education and support group for families with children 0-8, who are experiencing significant challenges. Families must met one of the three areas of eligibility: have prior involvement with CPS, have a current open CPS case, or are considered at-risk for child welfare involvement. Challenges may include: homelessness, high poverty, history of experienced trauma for caregivers and/or children, mental health challenges, addiction and substance use, etc.

SAFE-FIT accepts referrals from partner agencies – but this is an “open” group-meaning parents join the group anytime. Parents will fill out a short participation agreement upon arrival.

SAFE-FIT will be held every Thursday from 12:00-1:30 at Bemidji Workforce Center on the 2nd floor of the Community Services Center Building. *(We follow the ISD 31 calendar during the school year).* Clients will be contacted upon referral with further information. This program is supported by Bemidji Early Childhood Collaborative, Beltrami Area Service Collaborative, and Village of Hope.

SAFE-FIT will offer participants knowledge in areas of child development and a variety of daily parenting topics in a supported peer lead atmosphere. Some participants may be eligible to complete the Circle of Security Parenting Certificate. Class is co-facilitated by a licensed parent educator and mental health professional.

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* Full name of adult(s) client referring: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
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* Children (and ages). Are the children currently residing with the participant? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* What should we know about this family before we start? Are there any reasons family members may not be safe around other families or children? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* What are your goals for this family? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

We encourage you to get a Release of Information between your agency and Bemidji Early Childhood Collaborative: SAFE-FIT if you wish to share information. We accept referrals that have a court-order for parenting support and will provide documentation of attendance per your request.

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Contact info\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_