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| **TO:** | **All DCF Staff** |
| **FROM:** | **Commissioner Vannessa Dorantes** |
| **DATE:** | **June 16, 2020** |
| **SUBJECT:** | **New England Youth Coalition Conference - June 18th and 19th** |

The New England Youth Coalition is extending an invitation to all youth to attend their virtual conference "Liberating to New Heights: A Virtual Conference Exploring the Intersections of Race, Foster Care, Social Responsibility and Life Success."

This is an excellent opportunity for our young adults to participate in a timely discussion that focuses on them in a learning, networking, empowerment format and celebrate Juneteenth.

The conference organizer, Akin Aboiye, is a former foster youth and this is FREE. The link is listed below.

**June 18th and 19th** [Liberating to New Heights: *A Virtual Conference Exploring the Intersections of Race, Foster Care, Social Responsibility and Life Success*](https://hopin.to/events/altura2020)

Any questions, please contact Pamela Cranford at pamela.cranford@ct.gov