The VT Consortium for Adoption & Guardianship & NFI Vermont proudly present:

A Free Film Screening of

Reckoning With the Primal Wound

Hosted by Main Street Landing

Enjoy this free film viewing event for **Vermont Adoptive**, **Guardianship**, **Kinship**, **Foster**, & **First Families**, and those that work with and support them.



This film, directed by **Rebecca Autumn Sansom**, is about reckoning with relinquishment trauma and the cultural phenomenon that is author **Nancy Verrier's** landmark book *The Primal Wound*. It is the only film about this critical topic produced by an adoptee and first mother that features Verrier herself, psychologist Dr. David Brodzinsky and Dr. Amanda Baden.

This award-winning documentary has been deemed by child welfare workers, therapists, psychologists, and adoption professionals (including adoptees, natural mothers, and adoptive parents) the latest recommended resource for anyone interested in better understanding adopted individuals.

The film not only deals with relinquishment trauma, but also Verrier's philosophy that the damage done by the separation of a child and their biological mother culminates in a primal wound that must be acknowledged in order to heal.

Where: The Main Street Landing Film House

<u>60 Lake Street</u> Burlington, VT

When: November 8th, 2023

At **1:30pm** and **6:00pm**



Attendees will **receive a free copy** of Verrier's book <u>The Primal Wound</u> to take home (while supplies last).

This is a free event. **Pre-registration** is required. Contact the **Consortium Coordinator** at **802-241-0901** or **vtadoption@vermont.gov** or click **here** to register.





