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2024

TRAINING CALENDAR



October - December 2024 Training Dates

We will be offering both in-person and on-line training options for October - December 2024.

IN-PERSON Trainings				
Training Title	Location	Date	Time	Audience
BERKELEY COUNTY				
Teaching Children to Resolve Conflicts	Martinsburg MountainHeart Office	SATURDAY November 9	9 – 11 am	All Providers
HARDY COUNTY				
Emergency Preparedness for Family Child Care 	Hardy County Public Library	SATURDAY October 26	10 am – 12 pm	Family and Facility Providers Only
LEWIS COUNTY				
Teaching Children to Resolve Conflicts	Peas In A Pod	October 23	6 – 8 pm	All Providers
MINERAL COUNTY				
Teaching Children to Resolve Conflicts	Mineral County Department of Human Services	December 10	1 – 3 pm	All Providers
PRESTON COUNTY				
How to Use Board Games in Your Classroom	Preston County Department of Human Services	November 8	12 – 2 pm	All Providers
RANDOLPH COUNTY				
Family Childcare Positive Behaviour Supports  (Must attend all 3 sessions)	Elkins MountainHeart Office	SATURDAY November 9 SATURDAY November 16 SATURDAY November 23	10 am – 12 pm	All Providers
How to Use Board Games in Your Classroom	Elkins MountainHeart Office	November 14	10 am – 12 pm	All Providers
TAYLOR COUNTY				
The Growing Brain (Must attend all 7 sessions) For more information or to register, contact Sami Cochran at 1-304-265-0142 	Grafton MountainHeart Office	October 1 October 8 October 22 November 12 December 3 December 10 December 17	All Sessions 5 – 8 pm	All Providers
Quality Environments: FCCERS-3	Grafton MountainHeart Office	October 14	6 – 8 pm	Family Child Care Providers Only
How to Use Board Games in Your Classroom	Grafton MountainHeart Office	November 26	6 – 8 pm	All Providers

“The changing of the season is a reminder to live in the present and accept each moment as it comes.” - Anonymous



Online MountainHeart training will be offered through Microsoft TEAMS. Once you register for the training on the STARS Training Calendar, your trainer will contact you with detailed instructions for accessing the training session.

ONLINE Trainings offered by MountainHeart Community Services Professional Development Team				
Training Title	Location	Date	Time	Audience
Stereotypes	Microsoft TEAMS	October 1	5 – 7 pm	All Providers
ACES 103: Preventing Adverse Childhood Experiences	Microsoft TEAMS	SATURDAY October 5	10 am – 11 am	All Providers
Stereotypes	Microsoft TEAMS	October 10	1 – 3 pm	All Providers
Early Learning Standards Framework: I/T with Lesson Planning (Must attend all 3 sessions)	Microsoft TEAMS	October 22 October 29 November 5	All Sessions 12 – 3 pm	Infant/Toddler Providers Only
Understanding ECERS-3	Microsoft TEAMS	October 22	4:30 – 6:30 pm	All Providers
How Long is a Hug?	Microsoft TEAMS	October 24	6 – 8 pm	All Providers
Stereotypes	Microsoft TEAMS	SATURDAY October 26	10 am – 12 pm	All Providers
WVIT 2: Relationship Based Care for Administrators For more information or to register, please contact Traci Busch at 1-304-637-2840.	Microsoft TEAMS	October 9	9 am - 3 pm	Infant/Toddler Administrators Only
WVIT 2: Relationship Based Care for Caregivers (Must attend all 10 sessions) For more information or to register, please contact Traci Busch at 1-304-637-2840.	Microsoft TEAMS	October 30 October 31 November 7 November 13 November 14 December 5 December 11 December 12 December 18 December 19	All Sessions 12 – 3:30 pm	Infant/Toddler Providers Only
How Long is a Hug?	Microsoft TEAMS	November 7	1 – 3 pm	All Providers
ACES 103: Preventing Adverse Childhood Experiences	Microsoft TEAMS	November 14	6 – 7 pm	All Providers
ACES 103: Preventing Adverse Childhood Experiences	Microsoft TEAMS	December 3	1 – 2 pm	All Providers
How Long is a Hug?	Microsoft TEAMS	SATURDAY December 14	9 – 11 am	All Providers



October - December 2024 Training Topics and Descriptions



Courses marked with this symbol are courses required to meet the voluntary, Child Care Credential/Specializations criteria.

ACES 103: Preventing Adverse Childhood Experiences: Child Growth and Development; Health, Safety and Nutrition (Beginner)

Preventing Adverse Childhood Experiences, presented by Carrie Frasch, will provide an overview of adverse childhood experiences and the impact of trauma. It will also help you identify some of the root causes of adverse childhood experiences and look at the best practices for preventing ACEs through individuals, families, schools, and communities.

Early Learning Standards Framework: I/T with Lesson Planning: Child Growth and Development (Intermediate)



This six-hour module series with Traci Busch is broken into 3, 2-hour sessions. These courses will provide an opportunity to explore the WV Early Learning Standards Framework for Infants and Toddlers by focusing on two developmental domains each session. Each session will discuss the purpose, content, application, and benefits of the learning standards, as well as how to incorporate each domain into a lesson plan. By the end of the module series, participants will have a detailed understanding of how the Early Learning Standards work and how to incorporate them into a complete lesson plan for infants and toddlers. Upon completion of the module series, participants will be eligible for up to \$250 in resources directly related to the WV ELSF: I/T.

Understanding ECERS-3: Environment and Curriculum; Professionalism and Leadership (Beginner)

This course, by Jessie Lambert, provides an overview of the Early Childhood Environment Rating Scale, 3rd Edition (ECERS-3) including purpose, content, scoring, and tips for observing. This tool is used in Center-based programs caring for children 3 – 5 years old.

Emergency Preparedness for Family Child Care: Health, Safety and Nutrition (Beginner)



In this session with Sami Cochran, participants will learn discuss the types of emergencies that have and can occur while children are in care and planning needed to keep children and workers safe during those events. Participants will receive support in creating the required emergency preparedness action plan.

Family Childcare Positive Behavior Intervention Support: Child Growth and Development; Environment and Curriculum; Professionalism and Leadership (Intermediate)



Join Meredith Lester for this 3-part module series for family child care providers that will examine the pyramid model and intervention strategies, including having difficult conversations with parents. You must attend all three sessions to receive credit.

How to Use Board Games in Your Classroom: Child Growth and Development; Environment and Curriculum (Intermediate)

During this 2-hour course with Sami Cochran, participants will be learning what board games are, different types of board games, the benefits of each type of board game and how to use games in the early childhood classroom. We will be playing games as well. Come join this interactive session as we learn how and what to do to help the children in our care develop.

Stereotypes: Family and Community Relationships; Environment and Curriculum; Health, Safety and Nutrition; Professionalism and Leadership; Administration and Management (Beginner)

This session with Jessie Lambert will cover different types of Stereotyping, how/why this affects us at work, and knowledge on avoiding them.

Teaching Children to Resolve Conflicts: Child Growth and Development; Environment and Curriculum (Beginner)

Children are going to engage in conflict, for reasons such as two children wanting to play with the same toy or a child feeling like something is unfair. In this training, by Carrie Frasch, we will discuss techniques you can use to help children prevent and effectively resolve conflicts.

The Growing Brain: Various Core Knowledge Areas (Beginner)



This 7-session series delves into research in brain development and strategies for childcare providers to support the growing brains of children, birth to 5 years old. The crucial development of the growing brain is one of the most important topics in early childhood development. Research on the topic is exploding, underscoring the need for early childhood professionals to stay up to date on brain development and strategies to best support the growing brains of children, birth to 5 years old, in their care.

WVIT 2: Relationship Based Care for Administrators: Administration and Management; Professionalism and

Leadership (Advanced)



This is a 6-hour course intended to provide administrators with an overview of the WVIT Professional Development Program for Infants and Toddlers (Relationship Based Care) WVIT II. This course will provide an overview of the content covered in the caregiver classroom session and practicum assignments, as well as strategies to support caregivers as they implement new practices. They will address competency-based training and will learn about policies and procedures associated with the WVIT program and the incentive system. All child care administrators are encouraged to attend. You can register by contacting Traci Busch at (304) 637-2840.

WVIT 2: Relationship Based Care for Caregivers: All Core Knowledge Areas (Advanced)



The WVIT Professional Development Program for Caregivers Relationship Based Care consists of a 45-hour course for caregivers (10 sessions and a practicum) that is broken into three Modules that focus on relationship-based care. Participation in this professional development program focuses on the heart of quality care – the relationship of the caregiver with the child, the child’s family and with colleagues.


Through this course caregivers have the opportunity to examine the relationships in their infant/toddler programs and learn strategies for strengthening and assessing the quality of their programs with respect to those relationships. This course provides the knowledge and skills needed to implement relationship-based care and to mentor and coach other infant/toddler professionals in their centers. You must have completed WVIT 1 in order to attend. You can register by contacting Traci Busch at (304) 637-2840.



Quality Environments: FCCERS-3: Environment and Curriculum; Administration and Management (Beginner)

This training, offered by Melissa Hutson and Brenda Epperley, will introduce family child care providers to the Family Child Care Environment Rating Scale. The training will discuss how the FCCERS-3 is used in environments, why WV uses the scale and how it relates to the Tiered Reimbursement Program in WV. Family child care providers will get a basic understanding for the FCCERS-3 and be presented with an opportunity for further training in this area.




Childcare Nurse Health Consultants Online Trainings

Date and Time	Training Topic	Trainer
10/1/24 5:30-8:30 PM 	Medication Administration	Lisa Galford
10/4/24 6:00-7:30 PM	All About Seizures	Kelly Amos
10/9/24 6:30-7:30 PM	Rashes & Scratches	Candace Morgan
10/10/24 5:30-8:30PM 	Medication Administration	Kelly Amos
10/11/24 12:00-1:00 PM Lunchtime Learning	Respiratory Infections in Children	Brittany Parsons
10/15/24 6:00-7:00PM	Infection Control	Lisa Galford
10/21/24 6:00-7:00 PM	Oral Health	Karen Gilbert
10/23/24 5:30-8:30 PM 	Medication Administration	Karen Gilbert
10/24/24 6:00-8:00 PM 	Communicable Diseases	Candace Morgan
10/28/24 5:30-8:30 PM 	Medication Administration	Candace Morgan
11/4/24 6:00-7:30 PM	All About Seizures	Kelly Amos
11/7/24 5:30-8:30 PM 	Medication Administration	Brittany Parsons
11/11/24 5:30-8:30 PM 	Medication Administration	Karen Gilbert
11/13/24 6:00-7:00 PM	Rashes & Scratches	Candace Morgan
11/14/24 5:30-8:30 PM 	Medication Administration	Kelly Amos
11/18/24 6:00-7:00 PM	Oral Health	Karen Gilbert
11/20/24 5:30-8:30 PM 	Medication Administration	Candace Morgan
11/21/24 12:00-1:00 PM Lunchtime Learning	Infection Control	Lisa Galford
11/25/24 6:00-7:00 PM	Respiratory Infections	Brittany Parsons
12/2/24 5:30-8:30 PM 	Medication Administration	Lisa Galford
12/4/24 6:00-8:00 PM 	Communicable Diseases	Candace Morgan
12/7/24 8:00-11:00 AM Saturday Morning 	Medication Administration	Kelly Amos
12/9/24 11:00 AM-12:00 PM Lunchtime Learning	Oral Health	Karen Gilbert
12/11/24 5:30-8:30 PM 	Medication Administration	Candace Morgan

12/14/24 8:00-9:30 AM Saturday Morning		All About Seizures	Kelly Amos
12/17/24 5:30-8:30 PM		Medication Administration	Karen Gilbert
12/18/24 6:00-7:00 PM		Rashes & Scratches	Candace Morgan
12/19/24 6:00-7:00 PM		Infection Control	Lisa Galford
12/23/24 5:30-8:30 PM		Medication Administration	Kelly Amos



Training Topic	Summary
Communicable Diseases	Tips for minimizing the spread of infection in programs as well as information about common communicable diseases.
Respiratory Infections	Basic information about the anatomy of the respiratory system and how it functions. Also includes information relating to many common infections including colds, influenza, and RSV
All About Seizures	This training provides information about recognizing types of seizures, basic first aid for seizures, recognizing medical emergencies and medication administration for seizures.
Rashes & Scratches	Information about various skin conditions that young children experience.
Medication Administration 	Participants will be introduced to safe medication handling and administration practices. This training is required for providers to administer medication to children in the childcare setting.
Infection Control	Basic information about infection control concerns in the childcare setting. Information provided includes hand washing, sanitation and disinfection principles, and universal/standard precautions.
Oral Health	This training provides participants with information about the importance of starting oral care at a young age, teething and other considerations for infants. Also includes information about oral care for children with medical considerations and first aid for dental emergencies

Fun Fall Activities for the Family

Go apple picking



Have a picnic



Run a race



Learn to knit



Jump into a leaf pile



Carve a pumpkin



Go for a hike





West Virginia
Child Care Health
Educators

CCCHEE ONLINES TRAININGS

Oct. 7

- **Breastfeeding Basics**
- **6:30-8:30 PM**

Oct. 17

- **Indoor and Outdoor Safety**
- **6:30-8:30 PM**

Oct. 29

- **Stress Management**
- **6:30-8:30 PM**

Nov. 15

- **Fun and Healthy Snacks**
- **12:00-1:00 PM**

Nov. 18

- **What Can Child Care Nurse Health Consultants and Child Care Health Educators Do for You?**
- **12:30-1:30 PM**

Dec. 3

- **Bed Bugs and Beyond**
- **6:30-8:30 PM**

Dec. 10

- **Understanding Special Dietary Needs**
- **6:30-8:30 PM**

Registration Closes September 19.

Visit the QR code to register.



PRESENTS:

Great Beginnings



INFANT/TODDLER CONFERENCE

Keynote Speaker:



RUSTY KEELER,
designer, author,
and speaker

SEPT	REGISTRATION/BREAKFAST
 26	7:00-8:30am
27	7:30-9:00am
28	7:30-8:30am

 **WATERFRONT HOTEL**
2 WATERFRONT PLACE, MORGANTOWN

Scan QR Code for
More Information and
to Register:



Or Visit:

https://www.eventsquid.com/event.cfm?event_id=25136



Family Child Care Conference Registration

- Topic: K.I.S.S.: Keep it Safe and Sound
- 9am -4:30pm (lunch provided)
- This event meets the requirement for a conference for Tiered Reimbursement status
- 7.5 WV STARS Hours
- Applicants must be a **family child care provider** (caring for 1-6 children) or **facility staff** (caring for 1 – 12 children).

Return to: Tricia Haynes, 350 Capitol St., Room B-18, Charleston 25301

Fax: (304) 558-8800 or Email: Patricia.L.Haynes@wv.gov

South Conf.

DATE: 10/5/24

Location:
TAMARACK Conf.
Center
1Tamarack Pl.
Beckley, WV
Registration DEADLINE
Sept. 27, 2024

North Conf.

DATE: 11/2/24

Location:
Bridgeport Conf.
Center
300 Conference Way,
Bridgeport, WV 26330
Registration DEADLINE
October 25, 2024

Date of Conference you wish to attend: _____

Name (Please Print) _____

Facility Name if applicable: _____

Address _____

Phone (landline) # _____ Cell Phone # _____

County (where care is provided) _____

Email Address (required) _____

WV STARS # (required) _____



SAVE THE DATE



Annual Directors' Retreat

November 7-8, 2024
Thursday: 10:00am-5:00pm
Friday: 9:00am-2:00pm

Stonewall Resort
940 Resort Drive
Roanoke, WV 26447

www.wvayc.org

Earn Your Breastfeeding-Friendly Child Care Designation

The West Virginia Breastfeeding-Friendly Child Care Designation (BFCCD) is a voluntary program that offers resources to child care providers who support breastfeeding mothers. The designation is open to all licensed child care centers, registered facilities and family child care providers who choose to participate. Providers who enroll in this initiative will receive support from Infant/Toddler Coaching Specialists, Child Care Nurse Health Consultants, and Child Care Health Educators. Upon completion of the 10-step process, your site will receive materials to support start up, a certificate of designation, and a stipend.

To view the 10-step process to becoming a breastfeeding friendly program, visit <https://www.wvit.org/breastfeeding-friendly-child-care-designation/> or contact our Infant/Toddler Coaching Specialist, Ashley Cleaver, at 1-877-211-5437 or Ashley.L.Cleaver@wv.gov.





March 19-21, 2025

Celebrating Connections

Leading The Way Through

• Collaborative Relationships

- Join us in 2025 for information about
- practices, policies, planning, and
- research; to have the opportunity to
- network with other professionals; and
- participate in a diverse array of early
- childhood education discussions.

**Registration opens
December 2024**



**Charleston Coliseum & Convention Center
Charleston, WV**

This program is being presented with financial assistance as a grant from the West Virginia Department of Health, the West Virginia Department of Human Services, and the West Virginia Department of Education, and is administered by West Virginia Early Childhood Training Connections and Resources, a program of River Valley Child Development Services.

Specialization Credentials Available!

The Division of Early Care and Education understands the importance of the work you do and wants to help produce the best caregivers and child care programs possible for West Virginia families. Once a provider has attained their West Virginia Child Care General Credential, they can continue their journey with a Specialization.

- Director Specialization
- Infant Toddler Specialization
- Preschool Specialization
- Family Child Care Specialization

Once the Specialization Credential is achieved, a bonus of \$250.00 is available. For more information about this exciting initiative, please contact Shannon Nichols at Shannon.M.Nichols@wv.gov.

Planning Your Professional Development

Intentional professional development takes planning and self-reflection. Attending training sessions should be more than simply attending because a session is available on an open date in your calendar or to meet a certain number of hours each year just so you can check off a box with your Licensing or Regulatory Specialist. To get the most out of the hours you attend, it is important to think about your program and identify areas that you need more information about, that could be improved, or to help you obtain a special certification or degree and then find sessions to meet those specific needs. The WV General Child Care Credential and Specializations require ongoing planning to achieve the completion of a wide range of child care trainings.

If you or your staff are interested in applying for any of the WV Child Care Credentials, take note of the following chart showing anticipated months and locations of each of the required courses to help more effectively plan your professional development goals for the coming year.



WV CHILD CARE CREDENTIAL TRAININGS 2024-2025

July - September 2024

Mind in the Making – Jefferson County
WVIT 1-R – virtual
HOPE – virtual
Understanding ACES 101 – virtual

October - December 2024

WVIT 2 – virtual
WV ELSF: I/T – virtual
ECERS-3 – virtual
Emergency Preparedness for Family and Facilities – Grant County
The Growing Brain – Taylor County
FCCERS-3 – Taylor County
Family Child Care Positive Behavior Intervention Supports – Randolph County

January - March 2025

WVIT 1-R – virtual
WV ELSF: I/T – virtual
WV ELSF: PreK – Randolph County
WV Elements of Family Child Care – Berkeley County
Quality Counts – To Be Determined
Planning Your Professional Growth – To Be Determined
Using ERS for Higher Program Quality – To Be Determined

April - June 2025

WVIT 2 – virtual
ITERS-3 – virtual
Emergency Preparedness for Centers – To Be Determined
The Growing Brain – Berkeley County
I/T Positive Behavior Intervention Supports – Preston County
Early Childhood Positive Behavior Intervention Supports – Berkeley or Jefferson County
Director's Toolbox – virtual
Quality Counts – virtual
Planning Your Professional Growth- virtual
Using ERS for Higher Program Quality – virtual

