

To: All Early Intervention contract managers and FCFC coordinators
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PROGRAM UPDATES

Credential/License Reminder

With the beginning of the new year it may be a good time to check the credentials of your evaluators, assessors, and service coordinators. Evaluators and Assessors *must* have an active license or credential in order to meet highly qualified personnel to conduct EI evaluation and assessments. Service coordinators and supervisors of service coordinators *must* also maintain an active credential. Individuals with lapsed credentials and licenses are unable to perform activities within the EI system that require a license or credential. In addition, there may be sanctions if individuals perform these activities with a lapsed license or credential.

Education Service Center and School District Contact Information

Thank you to those who notified us about a bad link in the last Program Updates. If you are looking up contact information for ESCs and Public School Districts, please use this updated link:

<http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Data/Ohio-Educational-Directory-System-OEDS>

RESOURCES AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Principles of Service Coordination Training--January 17, 2018

We currently have only three people registered for “Principle of Service Coordination” for Wednesday, January 17. If you need this training please register for this session by noon January 16. We will need to cancel this session if we do not have more registrants. We will make a decision about cancelation at noon on January 16. If we cancel, registrants will receive an e-mail from OhioTRAIN letting them know that the training is canceled. Please ensure your e-mail is accurate and up-to-date in OhioTRAIN.

Save the Date Correction!

Debbie Ashley will lead a two-part facilitated webinar, “How to Become a Family Centered Practitioner” on May 21, 2018 from 2:00-3:30pm and “Family Centered Practices in Challenging Situations” on June 2 from 2:00-3:00pm.

Doughnuts with Di Series

We have had such a tremendous response to our “Doughnuts with Di” series that we will need to use a larger webinar platform. Below is revised registration for three of the sessions. *If you have already registered, you do not need to register again.*

January 30, 2018 from 8:30am-10:00am Our content expert will be Jenni Remeis, Intervention Specialist, VI/COMS from the Ohio State School for the Blind. We will discuss typical and atypical vision development for infants and toddlers. Jenni will also share assessment tools and strategies to use to assist IFSP teams with determining a need for EI services, the development of functional outcomes and strategies.

Registration link: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1923888450906205186>
Webinar ID: 874-448-931

February 27, 2018 from 8:30-10:00am Our content experts will be Karen Kincaid, DS, and Tiffany Madden, SLP, CCC and Certified Fidelity Coach. We will discuss how team members use information from multiple sources (medical records, evaluation, observation, parent report and other available information) to determine whether or not there is a need for services, inform the development of functional IFSP outcomes and strategies.

Registration Link: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/910559843050220802>
Webinar ID: 744-864-235

March 15, 2018 from 9:30-10:30 Our content expert will be Debbie Ashley, MA. We will discuss Ecomapping and the importance of understanding a family’s supports and how to use this information to determine how these supports relate to EI services, and where they fall within the development of functional IFSP outcomes and strategies.

Registration Link: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2183683257340450818>
Webinar ID: 416-861-979

For more details about the Doughnuts with Di series, please see the flyer accompanying Program Updates #1801.