

Save the Date – Free Virtual Trainings

The Division of Early Care and Education is continuing to sponsor free virtual trainings through Children’s Trust of SC for child care providers. Trainings offered focus on child abuse and neglect, keeping children safe, child/family resiliency, early childhood development, and building/sustaining strong families. These trainings help cultivate a clear understanding of the various forms of maltreatment and the impact on early childhood development. A brief description of the trainings is listed below. SCDSS Child Care training credit hours will be provided through SC Endeavors. Please remember to ensure you receive DSS credit for your attendance at these events by following the Best Practices for Attending Training Virtually guidelines.

Middle Childhood Development (5 hours of training credit)

Middle childhood, ages 6-12 doesn’t get as much attention as early childhood and adolescence but these years are just as critical to growth and development. Training participants will receive information on the following: key areas of development, the impact of trauma on school-age children, learning difference, internal safety, bullying, suicide, and the importance of building resilience in pre-adolescent children.

July 30, 2022 9:00am – 3:00pm

October 17-18, 2022 6:00pm-8:30pm

Training credits – Growth and Development (2.5 hrs.); Professional Development (1.5 hrs.); Special Needs (1 hr.)

Early Childhood Development (5 hours of training credit)

Early childhood, ages zero to five, is a critical period for a child’s growth and development. Understanding what to expect is an important protective factor in reducing child maltreatment and promoting child well-being. Participants will receive information on the following topics: building a healthy brain, social-emotional development, and understanding temperaments.

September 26-27, 2022, 6:00pm – 8:30pm

Training credits – Growth and Development (5 hrs.)

Responding to Abuse and Neglect (5 hours of training credit)

Responding to abuse and neglect effectively requires a clear understanding of the types of maltreatments and why they may occur. Training participants will receive information on the following topics: overview of types and signs of maltreatment, parenting attachment styles and how parents are affected by their own trauma from childhood, and strategies to support parents who may be experiencing risk factors for abuse and neglect.

August 13, 2022 9:00am – 3:00pm

November 14-15, 2022 6:00pm-8:30pm

Training credits – Growth and Development (3 hrs.); Professional Development (2 hrs.)

Protective Factors (3 hours of training credit)

Protective factors are conditions in families and communities that, when present increase the health and well-being of children and families. Training participants will receive information on understanding the five protective factors that help keep families strong and prevent child abuse and neglect, identifying multiple strategies and everyday actions to build protective factors, working with families in a strength-based way.

Upstate: September 17, 2022 9:00am-12:00pm

Pee Dee: December 12, 2022 6:00pm-9:00pm

Midlands: January 21, 2023 9:00am-12:00pm

Low Country: February 6, 2023 6:00-9:00pm

Training credits – Professional Development (3 hrs.)

For additional information or to register go to: <https://scchildren.org/events/> or contact Alexis Dow at adow@scchildren.org or 803-744-4049.