Emergency Preparedness and Response in Child Care

Train-the-Trainer Course – Eligibility Requirements

The North Carolina Child Care Health and Safety Resource Center (Resource Center) has revised the Emergency Preparedness and Response (EPR) in Child Care Train-the-Trainer course to address the emergency preparedness and response rules that became effective on July 1, 2015. The revised EPR in Child Care Train-the-Trainer course is an online course that is free of charge. Trainers must complete the revised EPR in Child Care Train-the-Trainer course to teach the new EPR in Child Care curriculum.

The EPR in Child Care training is approved by the Division of Child Development and Early Education (DCDEE) for child care facilities in North Carolina. NC Child Care Rule .0607(b) requires child care centers to have one person trained in EPR. NC Child Care Rule .1705(b)(6) requires family child care home operators to complete the EPR in Child Care training.

Trainers will receive a Trainer’s Manual and a Trainer’s Guide upon completion of the train-the-trainer session. The Trainer’s Guide includes the EPR power point slides and talking points, handouts, and additional resources.

To meet the need for trainers, the Resource Center is offering eight training sessions between June 2015 and June 2016. The Resource Center and DCDEE expects each person who completes the training to teach 3 courses per year through July 2017.

Who is eligible to be an EPR trainer?

- Child Care Health Consultants (CCHCs)
- Individuals trained as EPR in Child Care Trainers prior to April 2013
- Other early childhood trainers who meet the following eligibility requirements:
  - Must have a BS/BA degree in a health-related or teaching field, or in early childhood/child development.
  - Have at least one year of experience in adult training or education.

Will there be an enrollment priority?

Yes. The Resource Center will enroll applicants who meet the eligibility requirements and who fill the need for trainers based on geography and population density. Enrollment priority will also include:

- Child Care Health Consultants
- Individuals trained as Emergency Preparedness and Response in Child Care Trainers prior to April 2013
- Technical assistance providers who work for child care resource and referral agencies (CCR&Rs)
- Independent trainers

The Resource Center will maintain a waiting list of applicants and will contact them when there is space in future courses.

Submit the application as a Word document attachment to: clearym@unc.edu

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