Eligibility Requirements to Become an Infant/Toddler Safe Sleep & Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (ITS-SIDS) Trainer

The ITS-SIDS on-line train-the-trainer course is offered regularly throughout the year.

Child Care Health Consultants and Regional Infant Toddler Specialists are eligible to complete the on-line ITS-SIDS trainer course.

Other early childhood trainers are welcome to complete the on-line trainer course if all of the following eligibility requirements are met:

- Must have in-service training exempt agencies/organizations/individuals status from the Division of Child Development. Examples of exempt agencies/organizations/individuals include: Child Care Resource & Referral, Smart Start Partnership, Early Head Start, Cooperative Extension Service, and Health Departments. To check your Division of Child Development exempt or non-exempt status contact the Division of Child Development at 800-859-0829 or 919-662-4499 and request to speak with the In-Service Training Coordinator.
- Must have a BS/BA degree in a health-related field or in early childhood/child development.
- Have some infant/toddler knowledge, which includes college coursework specifically related to infants and toddlers or growth and development of young children; or have at least one year experience working with infants or toddlers in a licensed child care facility.
- Have at least one year experience in adult training or education.

You will be accepted if you meet the eligibility criteria described above. Fill out the application and email it to Mary Cleary at clearym@unc.edu.

Phone: 919-707-5679

Special Circumstances:

If you do not meet eligibility criteria and there is need for an ITS-SIDS trainer in your area you can request approval. Complete the Request for Approval form and an ITS-SIDS application. Email both the Request for Approval and the ITS-SIDS Application to Mary Cleary at: clearym@unc.edu.