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Welcome

Welcome to the Ohio Department of Children and Youth (DCY), Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health (ECMH) Training Bulletin. This bulletin contains Ohio Approved Trainings conducted through the ECMH Training Institute for Ohio’s Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Professionals. Additional information about Ohio’s Early Childhood Mental Health Initiative can be found on the Ohio Department of Children and Youth website.

Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Overview

Early relationships and experiences at home and in other environments set the stage for how a child learns to manage his or her emotions. The Ohio Department of Children and Youth provides cross-system leadership through its Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health (IECMH) initiative that supports evidence-based training to equip parents and professionals across multiple services with the skills to help children develop into mentally healthy individuals. Parents, teachers, and other professionals who effectively nurture, support, and connect with young children, especially those experiencing social or emotional difficulty, can ameliorate future disabling problems.

The IECMH initiative is aimed at promoting healthy social and emotional development (i.e., good mental health) of young children (birth to six years). It focuses on ensuring children thrive by addressing behavioral health care needs, which increases their readiness for school and later academic success. This is accomplished by building protective factors in young children's lives and increasing competencies and skills of parents and professionals working with children and families. Much of the development and implementation of the Ohio IECMH program has been built upon the research and resources available from the Georgetown University Center for Child and Human Development.

The Historic 2019 EC Systems Conference

Ohio's 2019 Early Childhood Cross Systems Conference was truly historic. Each of Ohio's Early Childhood state agencies collaborated for the first time to offer a fully integrated systems approach early childhood conference. Each day an agency took the lead and sponsored mental health, disability, and health specific sessions. There were cross-systems sessions designed to promote increased collaboration and improved outcomes among all early childhood professionals. In addition to the keynotes, participants were inspired by remarks from the new state agency leadership and participated in an interactive early childhood Wellness Fair. Sponsoring state agencies included The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities, Ohio Department of Health, Ohio Department of Medicaid, Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services and the Ohio Department of Education. It is our sincere hope to engage in promote additional cross-service collaborative professional development conferences in the near future.

<https://mha.ohio.gov/Schools-and-Communities/Educators/Early-Childhood-Mental-health/Conferences>

Whole Child Matters: Early Childhood Mental Health Initiative and Helping Ohio Preschoolers Excel (H.O.P.E.) Line

The **Helping Ohio Preschoolers Excel (HOPE) Line, formerly OPEPP**, is a free program that works to reduce the rate of expulsions in preschool-age children by providing support, training and other resources to preschool teachers or child care providers who are struggling to manage disruptive behaviors. Nationwide Children's manages the partnership's hotline. Any licensed preschool or family childcare provider can call, request support from an early childhood mental health consultant and get an on-site visit anywhere in Ohio within 48 to 72 hours. **Call the H.O.P.E. Line at 1-844-678-ABCs (2227) for assistance.**

Ohio's Early Childhood Mental Health Training Institute

Ohio's ECMH Training Institute is designed to share best practices with the field and provide professional development opportunities to early childhood mental health (ECMH) professionals seeking the Ohio ECMH Credential. The purpose and goal of the training institute is to prepare ECMH professionals to deliver quality service to early learning centers and families; and to ensure providers have competency in the six domains of ECMH: Social and Emotional Growth and Development, Family and Community Relations, Assessment, Interventions, Professional Development, Cultural and Linguistic Competency. The Ohio Department of Children and Youth serves as the sponsoring body for the Infant Early Childhood Mental Health (IECMH) Credentials. The Ohio Department of Children and Youth is a partner agency in Governor DeWine's Children's Initiative. The Ohio Child Care Resource and Referral Association (OCCRRA) manages the IECMH provider's profile, processes applications for all Ohio's early childhood credentials through the Ohio Professional Registry and hosts Ohio Approved (OA) Training data.

Meet the Master Trainers

Please note, the name of each master trainer is color coded to match the region of the map on page 6 that they cover



Katy Carpenter, MSW, LISW-S, Nationwide Children's Hospital Katy is currently a regional master trainer and an Early Childhood Mental Health consultant for Nationwide Children's Hospital in Columbus, OH. Katy received her Bachelor of Social Work from Indiana University and her Master of Science in Social Work from University of Louisville. Katy began working in the field in 2016 in a therapeutic day treatment program for children ages 3-5 with severe trauma and behavioral needs. Katy then provided outpatient therapy for children and families for 2 years before becoming an Early Childhood Mental Health consultant in 2019. Katy is regional master trainer under the Whole Child Matters Grant and continues to provide consultation and prevention services in the Columbus area. Katy currently holds her ECMH credential and is an independently licensed social worker. Katlin.Carpenter@nationwidechildrens.org



James (Jim) Flynn, MSSA, LISW-S, Positive Education Program James Flynn has been working in the field of mental health for 32 years and in the past 21 years his practice has been almost exclusively in the field of Early Childhood Mental Health. He has held the positions of mental health therapist, medical social worker, clinical supervisor, classroom consultant and parent resource consultant. He is currently a master trainer for the State of Ohio under the Whole Child Matters Grant and the Director of Early Childhood Plus for the Positive Education Program in Cleveland. James has a master's degree in social service administration from the Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences. James is a Licensed Independent Social Worker with a supervisory designation, and he has certifications in Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation and Infant Mental Health through the State of Ohio. He recently completed his phase two level certification in the Neurosequential Model of Therapeutics. jflynn@pepcleve.org



Ava T. Lucky, MSW, LSW, ECMH-C, OIMHP--III

Ava has nearly 30 years' experience supporting children, families and caregivers in early care and education. Throughout her employment, Ava has worked as a teacher, supervisor, licensed center administrator and has provided professional development training to licensed center-based and family childcare professionals. For the past 8 years, Ava has supported children and caregivers to foster targeted social & emotional developmental needs in homes, early learning environments and throughout communities in Northeast Ohio. "It is my privilege

to serve child serving professionals across Ohio as Master Trainer." Ava holds social work degrees from Ursuline College, Cleveland State University, and a Graduate Certificate in Early Intervention from Georgetown University School of Continuing Studies. Ava is employed as Trainer/Consultant at Positive Education Program in Cleveland, Ohio. alucky@pepcleve.org



Colleen Wallace, M.S., Nationwide Children's Hospital

Colleen is employed by Nationwide Children's hospital, Columbus as a regional Master Trainer and IECMH Consultant, serving 17 counties in the Central Ohio area through the Whole Child Matters Grant. She has 20+ years of experience, providing early childhood education and community prevention services in early childhood mental health. Colleen is particularly interested in the topics of relationship and connection but provides training on a variety of other topics. Colleen currently holds the Ohio Infant Mental Health Practitioner Level III (OIMHP-III) credential in

the state of Ohio. Colleen.Wallace@nationwidechildrens.org



Kayla Hairston is an Infant Early Childhood Mental Health Consultant & Master Trainer at the Greene County Educational Service Center in Southwestern Ohio. As a passionate leader in her field, Kayla combines her deep knowledge of public health and her unwavering commitment to supporting children's mental wellness. Since earning her Master of Public Health from Wright State University in 2018, Kayla has focused her efforts on ensuring that children and families receive the mental health support they need, starting from the earliest years of life. Kayla's work is grounded in a belief that early intervention is key to lifelong well-being, and she is committed to raising awareness about the critical importance of IECMH.

Kayla's roles have spanned various sectors, from coaching Medicaid recipients to achieve personal goals to providing support for children with autism. At the heart of her career is her passion for equipping mental health professionals and educators with the tools they need to foster strong emotional foundations for children. Kayla also volunteers as the Self-Care Subcommittee Co-Chair for Montgomery County's Prevention Coalition (2021-2025), where she continues to champion local mental health initiatives. When she's not working, Kayla enjoys singing and watching Disney movies with her three beautiful girls, cuddling with her precious baby boy, and exploring new cultures and cuisines with her husband and family. "I am excited to have the opportunity to educate and empower the child serving professionals across Ohio to be advocates for mental wellness for the children in their care, as well as themselves!" khairston@greeneESC.org



Erin Finley, LISW-S, ECMH-C, OIMHP-III, Hopewell Health Centers Erin Finley is an Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Coordinator and Master Trainer for Hopewell Well Centers, Inc. in Southeastern, Ohio. Erin has provided Southeastern Ohio with mental health services for the past 8 years; serving as a case manager, school-based therapist, Infant and Early Childhood Therapist/ Consultant, clinical supervisor, and coordinator. Erin is certified to provide Parent Child Interaction Therapy and Child Parent Psychotherapy. In addition, she is trained in Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing Therapy, holds an Early Childhood Mental Health Credential, Infant Mental Health Level III Credential, and Trauma Informed Care Credential. Erin graduated with her bachelor's and master's degree from Ohio University in Athens. She currently resides in Noble County with her 2-year-old son. Erin.Finley@hopewellhealth.org



Monique Sangialosi, BA, Alta Care Group I started on my journey in early childhood about 11 years ago as a preschool teacher for Head Start in Mahoning County. Throughout my time, I assumed complex roles including that of an Education Supervisor and Disabilities Coordinator within the Head Start framework. My dedication to fostering early childhood development and supporting professionals engaged in this field has remained constant. Over recent years, my professional focus shifted towards the area of mental health within child development. My commitment to serving the holistic needs of children, families, and educators within our community has been a driving force in my career trajectory. In pursuit of furthering my expertise, I have recently embarked on a Master of Social Work Program, driven by my excitement to expand my professional career. Simultaneously, I have assumed the position of Early Childhood Mental Health Supervisor at Alta Care Group and am starting my journey as a Master Trainer. It is with immense honor that I accept this role, recognizing the opportunity it affords to contribute towards Early Childhood Mental Health services. I am deeply committed to making a positive impact on the lives of children and families within our community. Moniques@altacaregroup.org



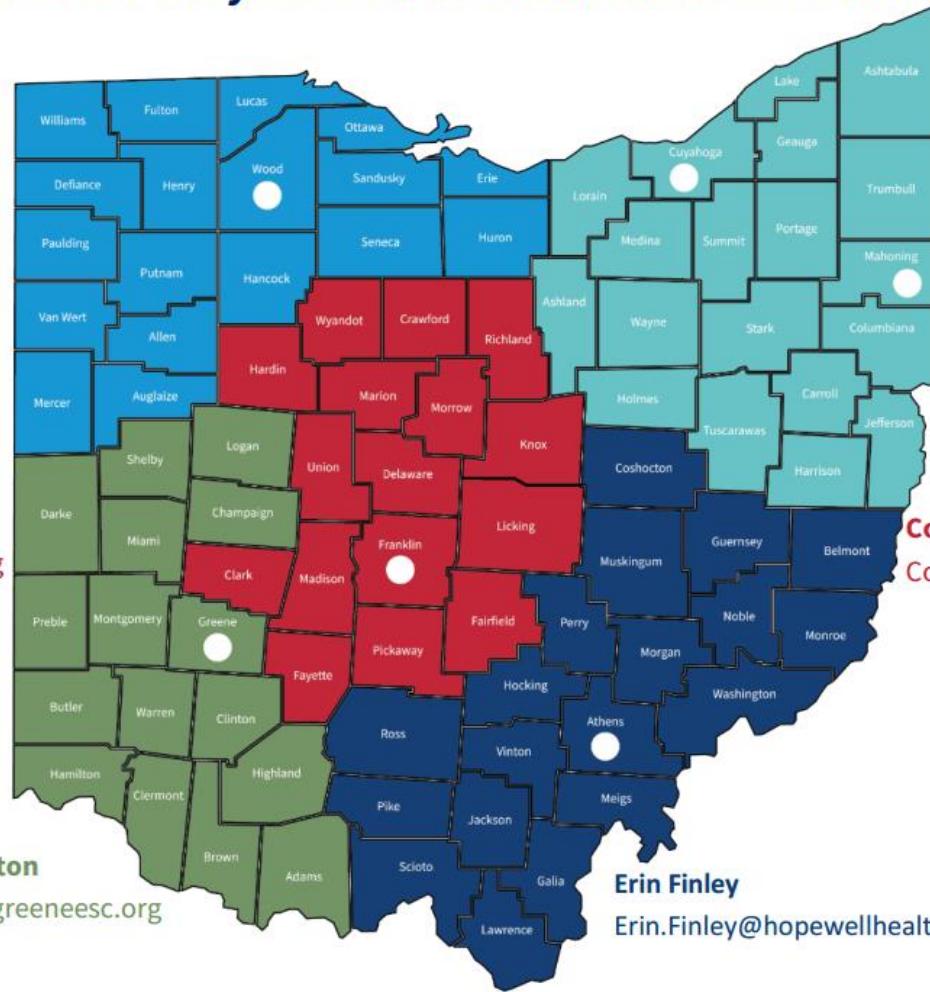
Rachael Shields, B.S., Children's Resource Center Rachael is a credentialed Early Childhood Mental Health Consultant and Master Trainer with Children's Resource Center in Bowling Green, OH. She moved into the mental health field as a consultant in 2008 and has since been assisting teachers in the Northwest Region of the state by providing professional training in Early Childhood Social and Emotional Development. Rachaelt@crcwoodcounty.org

Regional Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Master Trainer Map

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Quarterly Training Offerings

To register, please use the ST# provided and register through the Ohio Professional Registry at ocrra.org where descriptions of each training and details of the training can be found.

Name	Trainer Name	Date	Training Type	ST# (OCCRRA)	Start Time	Stop Time	Location	CE Hours	Additional Approval Boards
Practical Approaches to Producing Trauma Informed Classrooms	Ava Lucky	1 Apr 2025	One Day	10152596	01:00 PM	04:00 PM	Virtual	3	SW, Counseling
Building a Community of Support: Supporting Your Staff	Bri Walter	1 Apr 2025	One Day	10152729	10:30 AM	01:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
Creating Teamwork and Motivation	Katlin Carpenter	3 Apr 2025	One Day		06:00 PM	08:30 PM	In-Person	0	None
Grab the Teachable Moment! Supporting Healthy Social & Emotional Development in Children	Ava Lucky	3 Apr 2025	One Day	10151418	06:00 PM	09:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
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Foundations in Infant Mental Health	Bri Walter	3 Apr 2025	One Day	10152761	10:00 AM	12:30 PM	Virtual	0	None
Child Adult Relationship Enhancement (CARE)	Erin Finley	8 Apr 2025	One Day	10152305	01:00 PM	05:00 PM	Virtual	4	SW, Counseling
I'm Not Your Friend: Bullying in Preschool	Ava Lucky	8 Apr 2025	One Day	10152602	01:00 PM	04:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
Mindful Practices for Caregivers, Part 2	Bri Walter	8 Apr 2025	One Day	10152762	10:00 AM	11:30 AM	Virtual	0	None
Toxic Stress to Safe Zone: Responding to Trauma's Impact on Behavior	Katlin Carpenter	9 Apr 2025	One Day	10152802	12:30 PM	03:00 PM	Virtual	3	SW, Counseling, DODD
You Are Amazing	Erin Finley	9 Apr 2025	One Day	10152685	10:00 AM	12:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
Building Your Bounce: Strategies For Adult Resilience	Monique Sangialosi	9 Apr 2025	Community of Learners	10152675	09:00 AM	10:30 AM	Virtual	6.5	SW, Counseling, DODD, MFT
Building Your Bounce: Strategies For Adult Resilience	Monique Sangialosi	9 Apr 2025	Two Day	10152675	09:00 AM	11:00 AM	Virtual	6.5	SW, Counseling, DODD, MFT
Challenging Behavior Session 2: Responding Appropriately to Challenging Behavior	Rachael Shields	11 Apr 2025	One Day	10151688	12:30 PM	03:00 PM	In-Person	2.5	SW, Counseling
Challenging Behavior Session 1: Understanding and Preventing Challenging Behavior	Rachael Shields	11 Apr 2025	One Day	10151687	09:00 AM	11:30 AM	Virtual	2.5	SW, Counseling
Building Your Bounce: Promoting Adult Resilience	Ava Lucky	14 Apr 2025	Two Day	10150890	06:00 PM	08:00 PM	Virtual	3	SW, Counseling, DODD
Cultural Humility	Kayla Hairston	14 Apr 2025	One Day	10152795	12:00 PM	02:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
Prescriptions for Preventing Power Struggles	Ava Lucky	15 Apr 2025	One Day	10152603	01:00 PM	03:30 PM	Virtual	0	None

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Toxic Stress to Safe Zone Level 2: Becoming a Trauma Informed Early Learning Professional	Katlin Carpenter	16 Apr 2025	One Day	10152803	12:30 PM	03:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
Creating a Trauma Sensitive Classroom	Erin Finley	16 Apr 2025	One Day	10152684	09:00 AM	12:00 PM	Virtual	3	SW, Counseling
Toxic Stress to Safe Zone: Responding to how Trauma Impacts Behavior	Bri Walter	17 Apr 2025	One Day	10152763	09:30 AM	12:30 PM	Virtual	3	SW, Counseling, DODD
Why Do They Do That?! Understanding Behaviors That Push Your Buttons	Bri Walter	22 Apr 2025	One Day	10152764	01:00 PM	03:30 PM	Virtual	0	None
Building Your Bounce: Strategies For Adult Resilience	Monique Sangialosi	23 Apr 2025	Two Day	10152675	09:00 AM	11:00 AM	Virtual	6.5	SW, Counseling, DODD, MFT
Recognizing and Respecting Individual Differences	Ava Lucky	28 Apr 2025	One Day	10152605	06:00 PM	08:30 PM	Virtual	0	None
Exploring Behavior Through The Context Of Sensory Systems 2.0	Bri Walter	29 Apr 2025	One Day	10152765	10:00 AM	12:00 PM	Virtual	1.5	None
Attachment: The Basics - Beyond the Hugs and Kisses	Katlin Carpenter	30 Apr 2025	One Day	10152804	10:00 AM	01:00 PM	Virtual	3	Counseling, DODD, SW
Perinatal Mood and Anxiety Disorders	Erin Finley	30 Apr 2025	One Day	10152322	09:00 AM	12:00 PM	Virtual	3	SW, Counseling, DODD
No Worries! Helping Young Children Cope	Bri Walter	1 May 2025	One Day	10152769	10:30 AM	12:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
Bringing the Baggage: Responding to adult and child trauma in early childhood settings	Colleen Wallace	2 May 2025	One Day	10152621	09:00 AM	10:30 AM	Virtual	0	None
The Social Resilience Model and the Brain Body Connection	Kayla Hairston	2 May 2025	One Day	10152792	09:00 AM	10:00 AM	Virtual	0	None
Building Resilient Classrooms: Part 4-Encouragement	Colleen Wallace	6 May 2025	One Day	10152623	06:00 PM	08:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
Foundations in Infant Mental Health	Ava Lucky	6 May 2025	One Day	10152477	01:00 PM	03:30 PM	Virtual	0	None
Foundations in Infant Mental Health	Ava Lucky	6 May 2025	One Day	10152477	01:00 PM	03:30 PM	Virtual	0	None
I'm Not Your Friend! Bullying in Preschool	Bri Walter	6 May 2025	One Day	10152770	12:00 PM	03:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
Challenging Behavior Session One: Understanding and Preventing Challenging Behavior	Katlin Carpenter	7 May 2025	One Day	10152828	01:00 PM	03:30 PM	Virtual	2.5	Counseling, DODD, SW
You are Amazing	Monique Sangialosi	7 May 2025	One Day	10152676	09:00 AM	11:00 AM	Virtual	0	None
Is That Supposed to Happen!? Supporting Young Children Exhibiting Challenging Behavior	Colleen Wallace	9 May 2025	One Day	10152622	10:00 AM	11:30 AM	Virtual	0	None

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Where the Boys Are 3.0	Ava Lucky	9 May 2025	One Day	10152608	01:00 PM	04:00 PM	Virtual	3	SW, Counseling
Challenging Behavior Session 1: Understanding and Preventing Challenging Behavior	Ava Lucky	12 May 2025	One Day	10152609	06:00 PM	08:30 PM	Virtual	2.5	DODD
Building Resilient Classrooms: Part 5-Choices	Colleen Wallace	13 May 2025	One Day	10152624	06:00 PM	08:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
Challenging Behavior Session 1: Understanding and Preventing Challenging Behavior	Bri Walter	13 May 2025	One Day	10152766	11:00 AM	01:30 PM	Virtual	2.5	DODD
Understanding Behavior Through the Context of Sensory Systems	Katlin Carpenter	14 May 2025	One Day	10152827	01:00 PM	03:00 PM	Virtual	1.5	None
Amazing Attachment: Foundations for the Future (Synchronous)	Erin Finley	14 May 2025	One Day	10152324	09:00 AM	12:00 PM	Virtual	3	SW, Counseling, DODD
What Can the Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Consultant Do for You	Katlin Carpenter	15 May 2025	One Day	10152830	10:00 AM	11:30 AM	Virtual	1.5	Counseling, SW
Braving Burnout	Erin Finley	15 May 2025	One Day	10152687	01:00 PM	04:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
Challenging Behavior Session 2: Responding Appropriately to Challenging Behavior	Ava Lucky	15 May 2025	One Day	10152610	06:00 PM	08:30 PM	Virtual	2.5	DODD
Toxic Stress to Safe Zone Level 2: Becoming a Trauma Informed Early Learning Professional	Bri Walter	15 May 2025	One Day	10152767	11:00 AM	02:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
Cultural Humility	Kayla Hairston	15 May 2025	One Day	10152796	11:00 AM	01:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
Attachment: The Basics - Beyond the Hugs and Kisses	Katlin Carpenter	19 May 2025	One Day	10152829	01:00 PM	04:00 AM	Virtual	3	Counseling, DODD, SW
Building Attachment and Attunement Using Social Play in Infant and Toddler Classrooms	Colleen Wallace	19 May 2025	One Day	10152629	06:00 PM	09:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
Challenging Behavior Session 3: Behavior Planning for Challenging Behavior	Ava Lucky	19 May 2025	One Day	10152611	06:00 PM	08:30 PM	Virtual	2.5	DODD
Appalachian Culture: From Stereotypes to Strengths	Erin Finley	20 May 2025	One Day	10152688	01:00 PM	04:00 PM	Virtual	3	SW, Counseling, DODD
Building Resilient Classrooms: Part 6-Empathy	Colleen Wallace	20 May 2025	One Day	10152625	06:00 PM	09:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
Maternal Mental Health	Bri Walter	20 May 2025	One Day	10152779	10:00 AM	12:00 PM	Virtual	2	SW, Counseling
Flip It! Overview and Four Strategy Steps	Ohio MT Team	21 May 2025	One Day	10151677	09:00 AM	04:00 PM	Virtual	6	SW, Counseling, DODD

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Challenging Behavior Session 4: Interventions for Challenging Behavior	Ava Lucky	22 May 2025	One Day	10152612	06:00 PM	08:30 PM	Virtual	2.5	SW
Building Resilient Classrooms: Part 7- Positive Intent	Colleen Wallace	27 May 2025	One Day	10152626	06:00 PM	08:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
Challenging Behavior Session 2: Responding Appropriately to Challenging Behavior	Bri Walter	27 May 2025	One Day	10152768	09:30 AM	12:00 PM	Virtual	2.5	DODD
Understanding Implicit Bias	Bri Walter	29 May 2025	One Day	10152771	12:00 PM	03:00 PM	Virtual	3	SW, Counseling
Child Abuse & Neglect, Identification Prevention and Reporting Online	Ava Lucky	2 Jun 2025	Two Day	10152634	06:00 PM	09:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
Child Adult Relationship Enhancement (CARE)	Erin Finley	3 Jun 2025	One Day	10152325	01:00 PM	05:00 PM	Virtual	4	SW, Counseling
Building Resilient Classrooms: Part 1- Intro to the Brain	Colleen Wallace	3 Jun 2025	One Day	10152627	06:00 PM	08:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
Practicing Mindfulness	Bri Walter	3 Jun 2025	One Day	10152772	10:00 AM	11:30 AM	Virtual	0	None
The Social Resilience Model and the Brain Body Connection	Kayla Hairston	3 Jun 2025	One Day	10152793	10:00 AM	11:00 AM	Virtual	0	None
Day 1-2: Building Your Bounce: Promoting Adult Resilience	Erin Finley	4 Jun 2025	Community of Learners	10152326	10:00 AM	12:00 PM	Virtual	6.5	SW, Counseling, DODD, MFT
The Growing Brain: The Basics (Unit 1)	Erin Finley	4 Jun 2025	One Day	10152690	01:00 PM	04:00 PM	Virtual	3	SW, Counseling, DODD
Prescriptions for Preventing Power Struggles	Monique Sangialosi	4 Jun 2025	One Day	10152677	09:00 AM	11:30 AM	Virtual	0	None
Bridging the Generation Gap	Bri Walter	5 Jun 2025	One Day	10152780	11:00 AM	02:00 PM	Virtual	3	SW, Counseling, DODD
Toxic Stress to Safe Zone: Responding to How Trauma Impacts Behavior	Colleen Wallace	6 Jun 2025	One Day	10152630	09:00 AM	12:00 PM	Virtual	3	SW, Counseling, DODD
Practical Approaches for Producing Trauma Informed Classrooms	Ava Lucky	7 Jun 2025	One Day	10152645	09:00 AM	12:00 PM	Virtual	3	SW, Counseling
Flip It! Overview and Four Strategy Steps	Ohio MT Team	9 Jun 2025	Two Day	10151678	06:00 PM	09:00 PM	Virtual	6	SW, Counseling, DODD
The Growing Brain: The Factors Affecting Brain Growth and Development (Unit2)	Erin Finley	10 Jun 2025	One Day	10152694	10:00 AM	01:00 PM	Virtual	3	SW, Counseling, DODD
Building Resilient Classrooms: Part 9- School Family	Colleen Wallace	10 Jun 2025	One Day	10152628	06:00 PM	08:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
Toxic Stress to Safe Zone: Responding to How Trauma Impacts Behavior	Ava Lucky	10 Jun 2025	One Day	10152638	01:00 PM	04:00 PM	Virtual	3	SW, Counseling, DODD
Challenging Behavior Session 3: Behavior Planning for Challenging Behavior	Bri Walter	10 Jun 2025	One Day	10152773	11:00 AM	01:30 PM	Virtual	2.5	DODD

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Building a Community of Support: Supporting Your Staff	Bri Walter	12 Jun 2025	One Day	10152781	09:00 AM	11:30 AM	Virtual	0	None
Bridging the Generation Gap	Colleen Wallace	13 Jun 2025	One Day	10152631	09:00 AM	12:00 PM	Virtual	3	SW, Counseling, DODD
Cultural Humility	Kayla Hairston	16 Jun 2025	One Day	10152797	01:00 PM	03:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
Day 3-4: Building Your Bounce: Promoting Adult Resilience	Erin Finley	17 Jun 2025	Community of Learners	10152326	01:00 PM	03:00 PM	Virtual	6.5	SW, Counseling, DODD, MFT
Foundations in Infant Mental Health	Bri Walter	17 Jun 2025	One Day	10152774	11:00 AM	01:30 PM	Virtual	0	None
Emotional and Social Safety in the Workplace	Ava Lucky	18 Jun 2025	One Day	10152601	09:30 AM	12:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
The Growing Brain: Communication and Language Development (Unit 3)	Erin Finley	19 Jun 2025	One Day	10152696	01:00 PM	04:00 PM	Virtual	3	SW, Counseling, DODD
Exploring Behavior Through The Context Of Sensory Systems 2.0	Bri Walter	19 Jun 2025	One Day	10152775	11:00 AM	01:00 PM	Virtual	1.5	None
Bringing the Baggage: Responding to adult and child trauma in early childhood settings	Colleen Wallace	20 Jun 2025	One Day	10152632	09:00 AM	10:30 AM	Virtual	0	None
The Growing Brain: Cognition and Executive Function (Unit 4)	Erin Finley	24 Jun 2025	One Day	10152698	10:00 AM	01:00 PM	Virtual	3	SW, Counseling, DODD
Professional Boundaries in Working with Families of Young Children	Ava Lucky	24 Jun 2025	One Day	10152640	01:00 PM	04:00 PM	Virtual	0	None
Challenging Behavior Session 4: Interventions for Challenging Behavior	Bri Walter	24 Jun 2025	One Day	10152776	11:00 AM	01:30 PM	Virtual	2.5	SW, DODD
Prescriptions for Preventing Power Struggles	Ava Lucky	30 Jun 2025	One Day	10152635	01:00 PM	03:30 PM	Virtual	0	None
The Social Resilience Model and the Brain Body Connection	Kayla Hairston	30 Jun 2025	One Day	10152794	02:00 PM	03:00 PM	Virtual	0	None

Ohio Professional Registry

The Ohio Professional Registry is a centralized information system for early childhood and afterschool professionals. Ohio's web based professional registry allows professionals to document and track their career growth and accomplishments as well as to search and register for training opportunities offered statewide.

OCCRRA also coordinates the Early Childhood Mental Health and Ohio Infant Mental Health Credentials processes, as well as the "Ohio Approved" process for professional development opportunities. The goal is to ensure early learning and afterschool professionals receive high-quality professional development to maximize the learning and development of children in their care. Visit your Registry profile to apply to be an Ohio Approved Instructor, create a Training Organization, and submit professional development for Ohio Approval.

Get Started

To get started, create a profile, upload your supporting documents, and be recognized for your experience, education, credentials, and training in the Ohio Professional Registry. Follow the new user guide to learn how to document your employment, education, and training to fulfill Ohio's Early Childhood Mental Health and Infant Mental Health credentialing requirements.

Early Childhood Mental Health Consultant Credential

The Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation (IECMHC) Program objectives are to build protective factors in young children (from birth to six years of age who are at risk for abuse, neglect, and poor social/emotional health), increase skills of parents and promote the competencies of early childhood providers. IECMHC targets the healthy social and emotional development of all young children in Ohio to ensure they thrive and achieve success in school. Consultation requires practitioners to have formal preparations, certifications and licensure in children's mental health and experience working with young children and their families.

Since 2000, Ohio has recommended that IECMH practitioners be licensed mental health professionals. Everyone applying for an IECMH Credential will need to complete a personal profile in the *Ohio Child Care Resources and Referral Association's* (OCCRRA) Professional Development Registry. If already completed, you would not have to reenter for the credential. You will need your OPIN number and to have met the Core Competencies course requirements.

Please note, to obtain the IECMHC, the Ohio Model of Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation and the Devereux Early Childhood Assessment (DECA) trainings are required. An additional fifteen hours of training must be completed in the following areas: social emotional growth and development, family & community relations, assessment, interventions, and cultural and linguistic competency. Please visit <https://occrra.org/ohio-professional-registry/early-childhood-mental-health/> for complete guidance.

Ohio Infant Mental Health (OIMH) Credential - Established March 2020

The launch of the Ohio Infant Mental Health (OIMH) Credential expands our formalized specialization and certification of the IECMH professions in Ohio. The overarching purpose of this OIMH credential is endorsed by the Governor's Office to achieve the Goal of implementing a set of nationally recognized

skills and core competencies that will be developmentally appropriate and anchored in relationship-based practices that support the needs of infants and caregivers to reach their greatest wellness.

The Three (3) OIMH Credential Levels are Ohio Infant Family Affiliate Level I (OIFA-I) Ohio Infant Family Practitioner Level II (OIFP-II) Ohio Infant Mental Health Practitioner Level III (OIMHP - III). Every early childhood system partner including providers of childcare, early learning and education, home visiting, early intervention, maternal health, and infant and early childhood mental health plays a key role in the achievement of good infant/caregiver outcomes. Ohio recognizes the need for early childhood system professionals to have specialized skills and training while working with Ohio's pregnant women, infants, and toddlers. As such, the Ohio Infant Mental Health Credential is accessible to all Ohio early childhood professionals and is leveled to the right scope of practice for each service-delivery system partner. <https://mha.ohio.gov/Schools-and-Communities/Educators/Early-Childhood-Mental-Health/Infant-Mental-Health-Credential>

IECMH Consultation Resources

Devereux Tools & Recourses for Infant/Early Childhood Mental Health Consultants

<https://centerforresilientchildren.org/iecmhc/>

Devereux Professional Development Opportunities

<https://centerforresilientchildren.org/dcrc-professional-development/>

Devereux Center for Resilient Children (DCRC) Resources

<https://centerforresilientchildren.org/free-resources/>

Georgetown University

Center of Excellence for Infant & Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation

<https://www.iecmhc.org/virtual-trainings-portal/>

Yale University

Yale School of Medicine Child Study Center Webinar Calendar

<https://medicine.yale.edu/childstudy/search/?entityType=Event&calendar=childstudy>

Maintaining Your Record

Each time you complete training, acquire education and credentials, or change employment, please update your professional profile as soon as possible. Be sure to upload required documentation for verification after changes are made.

Contact the Ohio Professional Registry <https://ocrra.org/our-resources-page/>

• Phone: (614) 396-5959 • Toll-free: (877) 547-6978 • Email: credential@ocrra.org

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The Helping Ohio Preschoolers Excel line, previously known as the Ohio Preschool Expulsion Prevention Partnership, is here for you. Whether you have questions about a child's needs or are searching for guidance, we offer the support you need. To request a FREE consultation, call (844) 678-2227. For more information, please visit: [Helping Ohio Preschoolers Excel](#)

<https://www.nationwidechildrens.org/specialties/behavioral-health/for-providers/helping-ohio-preschoolers-excel>

For a full list of Ohio's Whole Child Matters' Partners, please visit <https://mha.ohio.gov/community-partners/early-childhood-children-and-youth/early-childhood-mental-health/whole-child-matters-map>

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