



## **Onward with Training!**

Maine Roads to Quality Professional Development Network (MRTQ PDN) is hearing from you that the need for training is continuing during this time. Our staff have compiled the following list of potential options for you and your program.

### **Communities of Practice (CoPs)**

We know this is a challenging and confusing time for all of us. In response to provider requests, MRTQ PDN has added new CoPs and increased the frequency of others. You can find the updated list of these FREE offerings here: <https://bit.ly/2JOJws2>.

MRTQ PDN is offering a FREE weekly CoP focused on health and well-being. This is a chance for us to share our thoughts and feelings about what is happening in our programs, in our relationships with children and families, and most of all to offer compassion and a listening ear. This CoP is scheduled on Wednesdays in April via Zoom from 1:00-2:30 pm. Registrations are limited. Click the link to register: <https://bit.ly/3bHc8iJ>.

### **Free On-Demand Training**

Through the MRTQ Registry, individuals can complete FREE on-demand training – any time, in any place. Start by visiting the MRTQ Registry here: <https://mrtq-registry.org/> and log in. You'll see "Online Training" at the bottom of the screen – click on "Access" to view the list of on-demand trainings:

- Health and Safety Orientation (6 hours)
- Annual Renewal for CCDF Health and Safety (2 hours)
- Substance Use Disorders: Informed Practice for Early Childhood Educators (2 hours)
- Caring for Children and Families Experiencing Homelessness (1 hour)

These will be added to your MRTQ Registry Professional Development Profile once they are complete.

### **Maine Roads to Quality Core Knowledge Training**

Learn more about the MRTQ Core Knowledge Training Program on our website: <https://mrtq.org/coreknowledge/>.

To view currently offered training, visit the Statewide Training Calendar here: <https://ececaldarmaine.org>.

Unlike on-demand training, MRTQ Core Knowledge online trainings are facilitated by a trainer and have modules that need to be completed in a required time frame. Please review the Participant Expectations before enrolling: <https://mrtq.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Participant-Expectations.pdf>.

You are encouraged to add your name to the waiting list, as we actively communicate to individuals on the waiting lists with new training opportunities for enrollment. You can view our policy for the waiting lists here: <https://mrtq.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Training-Wait-List-Policy.pdf>.



Click this link for our Training Registration Policy: <https://mrtq.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Training-Registration-Policy.pdf>.

Please review the Technology Needs Policy before enrolling in any online MRTQ Core Knowledge Training: <https://mrtq.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/MRTQTrainingTechnologyAccessibility.pdf>.

**Stay tuned to the MRTQ PDN Facebook page and our weekly e-newsletter, *SHORTcuts*, for new training opportunities.**

**Additional training opportunities:**

- Family Child Care Association of Maine (FCCAM): <https://fccamaine.com> (click on Training Resources).
- Understanding Trauma with Dr. Becky Bailey (Conscious Discipline, free for 90 days) <https://consciousdiscipline.com/webinar-series-understanding-trauma/>.
- MRBN Early Childhood Training: <https://maineresilience.org/events>.
- American Academy of Pediatrics free online learning modules: <https://www.aap.org/en-us/advocacy-and-policy/aap-health-initiatives/healthy-child-care/Pages/healthy-futures-online-learning-modules.aspx>.
- Sesame Street in Communities: <https://sesamestreetincommunities.org/professional-development/>.
- CDC Watch Me! training: <https://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/watchmetraining/index.html>.
- iLookOut for Child Abuse Training (approved mandated reporter training): <https://www.ilookoutmaine.org>.
- Early Childhood Learning and Knowledge Center 15-minute In-Service Suites: <https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/professional-development/article/15-minute-service-suites>.
- Virtual Lab School: <https://www.virtuallabschool.org/>.
- Early Childhood Investigations Webinars: <https://www.earlychildhoodwebinars.com/webinar-resources/>.
- EdWeb: <https://home.edweb.net/webinars/>.
- Cox Campus: <https://app.coxcampus.org/courses/categories/5bec8f89447831002c7c3b60>.
- Iris Center: <https://iris.peabody.vanderbilt.edu/>.