

Infant Mental Health Week Webinars Hosted by the West Virginia Infant/Toddler Mental Health Association

All webinars will be from 12 noon – 1:30 p.m. 1.5 Contact Hours of WV STARS per session Register using the QR codes or the links below

Monday, October 27

Comfort and Joy: Supporting Infants and Toddlers Through Holiday Stress



The fall and winter holiday season can bring excitement, but also stress, change, and overstimulation--especially for infants and toddlers. Caregivers and providers play a critical role in helping children feel safe, regulated, and connected during this time. This training explores how holidays can impact young children's emotional and behavioral regulation, identify specific populations with increased risk of holiday stress, and provide practical strategies and routines to support children and families.

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Presenter: Linda Reeves, MS, MA, LSW, IMH-E®, Child Care Resource Center

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Tuesday, October 28

Supporting Young Children Through Grief: An IECMH Perspective



This interactive training explores how young children experience and express grief, and how caregivers and professionals can support them. Participants will learn practical strategies to help children process loss, build resilience, and strengthen relationships through evidence-informed approaches.

Presenter: Katherine Bell, IMH-E®, Association of Infant Mental Health in Tennessee

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Wednesday, October 29

How Prenatal Substance Exposure Impacts Development



In this presentation, we will discuss substance exposure in utero, its impacts on early development and attachment, as well as challenges experienced as these children grow older and transition into school. We will also review current research and trends in care, additional ideas on how to facilitate family advocacy and engagement, and resources to share with families.

Presenter: Cindy Chamberlin, West Virginia Birth to Three and To the Moon and Back

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Thursday, October 30

The Youngest Witnesses: Supporting Infants and Toddlers Exposed to Domestic Violence

Infants and toddlers are often the hidden witnesses of domestic violence, and the effects on their development can be deep and lasting. This session explores how DV impacts early attachment and regulation, and offers practical strategies for creating safe, supportive



environments. The session emphasizes trauma-informed, nonjudgmental approaches that prioritize both child safety and caregiver well-being.

Presenter: Kimberly Tyler-Stirling, Anti-Violence Advocate, West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence

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Friday, October 31

Supporting Parents and Caregivers During Changing Times



Parents and caregivers are receiving information in lots of ways--from social media, family members, news, co-workers, and others. Often it can feel overwhelming, and sometimes parents feel a sense of blame. Join this panel presentation to hear about strategies for supporting families around emotional conversations, staying in the present with children, and teaching families the power of reflection.

Facilitator: Michelle Rollyson, MA, IMH-E®, West Virginia Infant/Toddler Mental Health Association

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