

WV Birth to Three Webinar Training Schedule September 2025

Parents!

If you are interested in learning more about any of the sessions listed, or registering to attend any sessions, please email dhwvbttraining@wv.gov.

Professionals - If you do not have a Registry ID

- Please visit <http://wvstars.org/>
- Select the Professionals link and then select the "Join" option and follow the on-screen commands.
- Call WVSTARS with any questions you may have or for assistance – 1-855-822-7827

Training Registration for Professionals


You will have to register for all training sessions through the WVSTARS website – <https://wvregistry.org/ets/store/calendar/>. WV Birth to Three has a 2-step process for registering a Webinar. Once you click on the training calendar search for the session you wish to attend, then click on the session to see additional details about the training on the right-hand side of your screen. Once the information is visible on the right, please complete each of these:

Step 1 – Scroll to the bottom of the screen and you will find a green button on the right-hand side. Click that button to register for the training within the WVSTARS system. On the next screen, click on the green "in cart" button to finish this process.

Step 2 – Return to the information about the training and click on agenda. There you will find the link to the webinar where you can register and have access to the materials for that session. Once you complete the information required within the GoToTraining platform you will receive email reminders for the session.

Important Training Information



1. All training begins promptly at the scheduled time. Please sign into the webinar platform at least 10 minutes early to allow for any assistance with any challenges encountered.
2. Each participant must be signed into their own device to attend the session. That can include a computer or the GoTo mobile app.
3. To support a focused and engaging learning environment, we kindly ask that participants:
 - Keep cameras on, when possible, to foster connection and participation.
 - To receive credit for training sessions, actively participate throughout the session, via polls, discussions, breakout rooms, and post-tests.
 - Avoid driving or multitasking during training to ensure safety and attentiveness.
 - Treat the training time as protected, just as you would for in-person training.
4. If you miss more than **15 minutes** of the delivered content, you will not receive credit for the training.
5. Please download and print all materials prior to the training starting

Newly Enrolling Practitioners and Service Coordinators			
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	Participants will learn the legal and philosophical foundations of Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), how early intervention is implemented in West Virginia, and expectations for practitioners providing services within WV Birth to Three.		Have Questions
	The self-paced course overviews family centered services, the IFSP process, procedural safeguards, required system components, personnel standards, and enrollment procedures.		
	Once registered, you are enrolled in the course with access to content beginning the following Monday.		SCAN ME
	Currently enrolled WV Birth to Three practitioners and service coordinators may not use this course for annual enrollment.		
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Date & Time of Training	Title & Description	WV Early Childhood Core Competencies & Tier	WV IMH Competencies
September 5, 2025 9:00 am – 11:00 am Click here to Register	Interim and Ongoing Service Coordinator Community of Practice (2 Contact Hours) WV Birth to Three Interim and Ongoing Service Coordinator Participation Only Members of the Community of Practice learn together through topical webinars and readings, sharing knowledge and experiences, reflecting on their own knowledge and skills, and supporting each other in making changes to evidence based practices. If you are new to Birth to Three and in need of a way to learn from other Service Coordinators or have been with us for years and want a forum to share ideas and support others, please join us. <u><i>To receive credit for the session, you must have your camera on and actively participate throughout the session.</i></u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Professionalism & Leadership TIER - Basic	Law, Regulation & Agency Policy Government, Law & Regulation Working with Others Supporting Others, Thinking Planning & Organizing
September 8, 2025 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm Click here to Register	Keys to Participation – Adaptations and Modifications for Infants and Toddlers (2 Contact Hours) This session provides training on supporting infants and toddlers to participate in home and community activities using adaptations and modifications within their environment. Participants will learn how to gather information and select appropriate adaptations and modifications based on each family's priorities and concerns and the child's unique abilities and challenges. Emphasis will be placed on no tech and low-tech options before the selection of high-tech equipment and devices.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Child Growth & Development Child Observation & Assessment Environment & Curriculum Professionalism & Leadership TIER - Intermediate	Direct Service Skills Observation & Listening, Screening & Assessment, Life Skills

<p>September 10, 2025</p> <p>1:00 pm – 2:30 pm</p> <p>Click here to Register</p>	<p>Special Guest Lecture Series – Good Night . . . Sleep Tight (1.5 Contact Hours)</p> <p>This live webinar will support practitioners to better understand the impact of sleep on the developing child, attending specifically to the impacts on children with autism spectrum disorders. Irritable? Having problems concentrating? Feel like taking a nap during the day? These are common symptoms we all experience at some point in our lives when we haven't had a good night's sleep. While most of us have experienced occasional sleep difficulties, about 1/3 of healthy adults and children will experience more severe sleep problems. Among families of children with autism spectrum disorders (ASD) issues with sleep may be even more common with up to 86% of these children experiencing difficulties. While there are several sleep problems which can occur, this webinar will focus on two common problems – difficulties going to sleep and staying asleep. Strategies for assessing and dealing with each of these problems will be discussed. The target audience for this presentation is providers and families of young children with autism and related diagnoses.</p> <p>Join us in welcoming Dr. Jennifer McFarland-Whisman as our presenter.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child Growth & Development <p>TIER – Basic</p>	<p>Theoretical Foundations</p> <p>Infant/Very Young Child Development & Behavior</p>
<p>September 12, 2025</p> <p>8:30 am – 9:30 am</p> <p>Click here to Register</p>	<p>Motivational Interviewing Practice Group (1 contact hour)</p> <p>Participants must be WV Birth to Three Enrolled in WV Birth to Three Service Coordinators and Practitioners</p> <p>The Motivational Interviewing Practice Group is a discussion group for WVBTT providers to practice motivational interviewing skills learned in previous training courses.</p> <p>The group will have opportunities to practice in a large group and in small groups as needed.</p> <p>Practices might include the four processes of Motivational Interviewing, OARS, having the Spirit of Motivational Interviewing and other Motivational Interview techniques, skills, and strategies. The group is designed to help build Motivational Interviewing Skills in professionals.</p> <p><u>To receive credit for the session, you must have your camera on and actively participate throughout the session.</u></p> <p>You must have completed the Finding Your MI Spirit or Listening Well – Engaging Families, Listening Well – Motivational Interviewing for Service Coordinators or Motivational Interviewing – Transforming Conversations, Strengthening Families trainings to participate in the practice group.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family & Community • Professionalism & Leadership <p>TIER: Intermediate</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct Service Skills - Responding with Empathy, OR Life Skills, OR • Working with Others - Building and Maintaining Relationships, OR Empathy & Compassion, OR • Reflection - Curiosity

<p>September 15, 2025</p> <p>3:00 pm – 4:00 pm</p> <p>Click here to Register</p>	<p>Special Guest Lecture Series – Collaborating with Peer Recovery Specialists (1.0 Contact Hours)</p> <p>Find out what a Peer Recovery Support Specialist (PRSS) does, where they work, and how they can help you and your families get connected to services in your community that they need. We will provide an overview of where a PRSS works, talk about Harm Reduction, Quick Response Teams, Family Court, and other places where PRSS support people. We will review how Cindy and Paula have come to work together and how it has helped the families that Cindy works with in Birth to Three</p> <p>Join us in welcoming Cindy Chamberlin and Paula McCutcheon as our presenters.</p> <p><u>To receive credit for the session, you must have your camera on and actively participate throughout the session.</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family & Community • Professionalism & Leadership <p>TIER – Basic</p>	<p>Systems Expertise</p> <p>Community Resources</p>
<p>September 22, 2025</p> <p>9:00 am – 10:00 am</p> <p>Click here to Register</p>	<p>Special Guest Lecture Series – Finding the Fun (1.0 Contact Hours)</p> <p>This live webinar will focus on the importance of “play” in early childhood. The presenter will provide strategies from the Early Start Denver Model that support parents connecting with their children.</p> <p>Join us in welcoming Kristi DeLeurere as our presenter.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child Growth & Development • Family & Community • Environment & Curriculum <p>TIER – Basic</p>	<p>Theoretical Foundations</p> <p>Infant/Very Young Child & Family-Centered Services</p>
<p>September 22, 2025</p> <p>12:00 pm – 1:00 pm</p> <p>Click here to Register</p>	<p>Growing Up Digital for Parents – How to Balance Technology and Connection in Infant and Toddler Development (1.0 Contact Hours)</p> <p>In today's digital age, technology is an integral part of daily life, even for our youngest children. This 60-minute training explores the impact of screen time and digital play on infant and toddler development. Participants will learn about the benefits and risks of technology exposure and discover strategies to balance screen use and digital play with essential human interactions to support healthy cognitive, emotional, and social growth in young children.</p> <p>Please join us in welcoming Linda Reeves as our presenter.</p> <p><u>To receive credit for the session, you must have your camera on and actively participate throughout the session.</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child Growth & Development • Environment & Curriculum <p>• TIER – Basic</p>	<p>Theoretical Foundations</p> <p>Infant/Very Young Child Development & Behavior</p>

September 24, 2025 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm Click here to Register	<p>WV Birth to Three Lunch & Learn – WV Assistive Technology System (WVATS) (1 Contact Hour)</p> <p>WVATS will go over what assistive technology is, categories of assistive technology, the program, services provided, and how to utilize our program as an agency and personal level.</p> <p>Join us in welcoming Doug Cumpston and Allie Morlock as our presenters.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family & Community Relationships <p>TIER - Basic</p>	<p>Systems Expertise Service Delivery, Community Resources</p>
September 25, 2025 8:30 am – 12:30 pm Click here to Register	<p>Motivational Interviewing – Transforming Conversations, Strengthening Families (4 Contact Hour)</p> <p>Do you want to feel more comfortable and confident engaging families in conversations around the challenges they may be facing? Motivational Interviewing (MI) is an evidence-based practice designed to help you in coaching families to achieve the changes they want to see. In this session, you will learn about the elements of MI and practice some foundational skills to support families in discovering creative solutions.</p> <p>After this session, you will have the opportunity to join a weekly practice group to strengthen your MI skills.</p> <div> <div>Professional CEUs</div> <div>  <p>ASHA CE APPROVED PROVIDER</p> <p>West Virginia Speech-Language-Hearing Association Introductory Level 0.4 ASHA CEUs</p>  </div> </div> <p>Sarah Feick, Kristy Stout, and Sheila Zickefoose are employed or contracted by WV Birth to Three. There are no other relevant financial or non-financial relationships to disclose.</p> <p><u>To receive credit for the session, you must have your camera on and actively participate throughout the session.</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family & Community Relationships Professionalism & Leadership <p>TIER – Basic</p>	<p>Theoretical Foundations Relationship-Focused Practice Direct Service Skills Responding with Empathy Working with Others Building & Maintaining Relationships</p>
September 26, 2025 8:30 am – 9:30 am Click here to Register	<p>Motivational Interviewing Practice Group (1 contact hour)</p> <p>Participants must be WV Birth to Three Enrolled in WV Birth to Three Service Coordinators and Practitioners</p> <p>The Motivational Interviewing Practice Group is a discussion group for WVBTT providers to practice motivational interviewing skills learned in previous training courses.</p> <p>The group will have opportunities to practice in a large group and in small groups as needed.</p> <p>Practices might include the four processes of Motivational Interviewing, OARS, having the Spirit of Motivational Interviewing and other Motivational Interview techniques, skills, and strategies. The group is designed to help build Motivational Interviewing Skills in professionals.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family & Community Relationships Professionalism & Leadership <p>TIER: Intermediate</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Direct Service Skills - Responding with Empathy, OR Life Skills, OR Working with Others - Building and Maintaining Relationships, OR Empathy & Compassion, OR

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<p>August 26, 2025</p> <p>12:00 pm – 1:00 pm</p> <p>Click here to Register</p>	<p>WV Birth to Three Autism Practice Group (1 contact hour)</p> <p>The Autism Practice Group is a discussion group for WVBTT providers to address and discuss evidence-based practices, specific strategies, common challenges in autism, and parent coaching. The group is designed to address topics of interest selected by you, the provider.</p> <p>We will have topics planned for each meeting as requested by participants, as well as guest speakers to help guide us in providing the best services for our families. The CoP is facilitated by Cindy LeGrand, BCBA, SLP, a Speech Language Pathologist, practicing within WV Birth to Three and Jessica Dempsey, BCBA, WV Birth to Three CQI Coordinator.</p> <p>This Autism CoP Group scheduled for 9/26/25 will have guest speakers Lisa Fisher and Tamara Westfall joining us. Lisa and Tamara are Coordinators in the Office of Special Education through the WV Department of Education. They will be answering questions and discussing procedures surrounding transition from Part C to Part B.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child Growth & Development • Environment & Curriculum <p>TIER - Intermediate</p>	
<p>September 30, 2025</p> <p>6:00 pm – 8:00 pm</p> <p>Click here to Register</p>	<p>Moving Research to Practice-Child Outcomes and Intervention Strategies (2 Contact Hours)</p> <p>This session provides a place to learn, reflect, evaluate, and create meaningful, functional IFSP outcomes and intervention strategies. Join us to explore moving research to practice making a difference for children and families.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professionalism & Leadership <p>TIER - Basic</p>	<p>Thinking Analyzing Information, Exercising Sound Judgment,</p>