

FRESNO STATE

Central California Children's Institute

2013-2014 Foundations of Infant Mental Health Training Program

Background:

The Central California Children's Institute, in partnership with the Central Valley Regional Center (CVRC) and First 5 Fresno County, is entering the second year of its regional training program in the foundational principles of infant-family and early childhood mental health (IFECMH). The program will provide basic IFECMH training for 140 new practitioners this year from six to seven agencies in the CVRC six-county catchment area. These trainings will serve to move participants closer to meeting [state-level endorsement](#) in IFECMH, if desired.

An Interagency IFECMH Training Council provides oversight and guidance to the program. The Training Council is comprised of top administrators from the six counties whose agencies are the focus of the proposed training project: Central Valley Regional Center, Fresno County Department of Social Services, Fresno and Merced County Offices of Education, Tulare and Fresno County Children's Services Networks, and Fresno and Merced County Departments of Behavioral Health.

Training Objective:

Curriculum for the trainings is based on the [IFECMH Training Guidelines](#) and Personnel Competencies developed by the California Infant-Family and Early Childhood Mental Health Workgroup in 2009. Lecture sessions include approximately six hours per training day. At each of the training sessions, small reflective practice learning pods will meet for one hour in the afternoon of each training session. These pods will be configured to represent varied disciplines and agencies across counties. The learning pods will be facilitated by facilitators-in-training of the First 5 Fresno County Reflective Practice Mentor Group. For more information on the reflective practice component, please contact Dr. Martha Moore at marthamoorephd@gmail.com.

Upon completion of the training program, participants will receive a certificate that details the training domain and competency that was met by the training sessions.

When/Where:

Trainings will be held once per month starting in September 2013 and ending in May 2014. All sessions will be held at New Covenant Community Church, 1744 E. Nees Ave., Fresno, CA.

Cost of the Training: A non-refundable registration fee of \$75, and an additional fee of \$25 for CEU credits, will be required upon acceptance to the program.

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