

The Pennsylvania Child Welfare Training Program

The Pennsylvania Child Welfare Training Program is a collaborative effort of the University of Pittsburgh, School of Social Work, the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare, and the Pennsylvania Children and Youth Administrators.

It was established to train direct service workers, supervisors, administrators, and foster parents in providing social services to abused and neglected children and their families.

The Training Program is centrally managed and regionally administered by the University of Pittsburgh, School of Social Work.



Our Mission:

The Pennsylvania Child Welfare Training Program is a national leader in advocating for an enhanced quality of life for Pennsylvania's children, youth and families. In partnership with families, communities, as well as public and private agencies, we prepare and support exceptional Child Welfare Professionals and systems through education, research, and a commitment to best practice.

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The Pennsylvania Child Welfare Training Program in collaboration with the Pennsylvania Family Support Alliance

Invite you to attend:

“Recognizing and Reporting Child Abuse”



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The workshop will review the elements of child abuse, including the legal definitions of a child, perpetrator, and categories and indicators of abuse. The training will provide an overview of mandated reporting obligations, including how to make a report, protections for those who report, and the liability for failing to report. The workshop will also outline physical and behavioral indicators of abuse, the proper procedures for reporting, guidelines to working more effectively with local children and youth services agencies, and the key points of the Child Protective Services Law, including the most recent changes to the law such as those that were implemented in May 2007 as a result of Act 179.

Learning Objectives:

Participants will meet their legal obligations in the area of child protection by:

- Describing and applying current information on the Pennsylvania Child Protective Services Law;
- Identifying the elements and indicators of abuse;
- Reviewing child abuse reporting procedures;
- Defining student abuse;
- Reviewing student abuse reporting procedures;
- Describing actions that will be taken by the county agency in response to reports of child abuse; and
- Listing the status determinations that are assigned to child abuse reports.

The training is being provided to county agency staff in order to increase knowledge about mandated reporters of child abuse and their role and responsibilities. It is highly recommended for county agency personnel that provide training to community-based providers regarding mandated reporting and recognizing and reporting child abuse and neglect.

Training Dates and Locations:

Altoona Regional Training Room
3333 Beale Avenue, Logan Plaza
Altoona, PA 16601
September 1, 2009

Monroeville Regional Training Room
400 Penn Center Blvd
Building #4, Suite 412
Pittsburgh, PA 15146
September 3, 2009

Mayfield Regional Training Room
1300 Old Plank Road
Mayfield, PA 18433
September 4, 2009

PA Child Welfare Training Program
403 East Winding Hill Road
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055
September 24, 2009

Williamsport Regional Training Room
Park Place LLC, 1st Floor
800 West 4th Street
Williamsport, PA 17701
October 5, 2009

Meadville Regional Training Room
18282 Technology Drive
Meadville, PA 16335
October 7, 2009

Montgomery Co Human Services Center
1430 DeKalb Street, 1st Floor
Norristown, PA 19404
November 10, 2009

Directions to our facilities can be found on our website www.pacwcbt.pitt.edu

Registration is due 3 weeks prior to the listed training date for each location

Please register using the following methods:

- Toll free registration line
1-877-297-7488
- Email your registration to
cwtpreg@pitt.edu
- Fax your registration to
717-795-8013
Attn: Rachael Ickes

Name:

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Location attending:
