



2010 Training and Travel Information

DECA Program for Preschoolers

Kansas City, Missouri



Training Descriptions

2-Day DECA Program Implementation Training

The Devereux Early Childhood Assessment (DECA) Program is a strength-based system designed to promote resilience in children 2 through 5 years old. Through the program, early childhood professionals and families learn specific strategies to promote young children's social and emotional development and to enhance the overall quality of early childhood programs. In this hands-on training, participants will learn to implement the five steps of the comprehensive DECA Program. These five steps are: 1) Collecting information on individual children and program practices; 2) Administering the DECA, a nationally standardized, norm-referenced, strength-based assessment of social and emotional development; 3) Summarize assessment results; 4) Develop and implement plans for the classroom and individual children, and 5) Evaluate Progress.

1-Day DECA-C (Clinical) Training

The DECA-C is a standardized, norm-referenced behavior rating scale that evaluates behaviors related to social and emotional resilience and concerns in preschool children ages 2 through 5. The DECA-C is designed to support early intervention efforts to reduce or eliminate significant emotional and behavioral concerns in preschool children. Topics covered in the DECA-C Training will include: the development and standardization of the DECA-C; administering the DECA-C; scoring the tool; interpreting results; using the mental health consultation model to establish a plan of how to work with families around results; and, planning next steps for children. **Participants need to be a "Level B" user to order and use this tool. For more information on the qualifications of a Level B user, please e-mail Debi Mahler at dmahler@devereux.org.

2-Day Local Program Mentor Training

The Local Program Mentor Training will help prepare DECA Program Implementation Training participants to return to their local programs and offer technical assistance and workshops as necessary on the DECA Program. Time will be spent on reviewing DECA Program key messages, discussing training and mentoring tips and techniques, and troubleshooting with program staff and participants currently using the DECA Program or who are planning to use the DECA Program. **Prerequisite: participants need to have attended the 2-Day DECA Program Implementation Training conducted by a DECA Program Certified Trainer.



Trainings in Kansas City, Missouri



Dates	Training	Location	Registration Cost
October 4-5, 2010	2-Day DECA Program Implementation Training	<i>Kansas City, MO</i>	Early Bird: \$270 Regular Rate: \$300
October 6, 2010	1-Day DECA-C Training	<i>Kansas City, MO</i>	Early Bird: \$135 Regular Rate: \$150
October 7-8, 2010	2-Day Local Program Mentor Training	<i>Kansas City, MO</i>	Early Bird: \$495 Regular Rate: \$550

****Early bird rate valid when registering 30 days or more prior to training start date**

DECA and DECA-C Kits

- ✓ Order a DECA Kit for an additional cost of \$200
- ✓ Order a DECA-C Kit for an additional cost of \$125

Register for these trainings at:

www.devereuxearlychildhood.org

Travel information for trainings in Kansas City, Missouri

Training Location: The Kauffman Foundation, 4801 Rockhill Rd, Kansas City, MO, 64110.

Airport: Kansas City International Airport (MCI) is 26 miles from the training site.

Lodging Information: A limited block of rooms has been reserved at the **Q Hotel and Spa** at 560 Westport Rd., Kansas City, MO 64111. This hotel is 1.5 miles from the training site. **For reservations, call (800) 942-4233.** The block room rate is \$94 plus tax/night (includes hot breakfast, managers reception in the evening, and bicycles!) and **reservations need to be made by September 12, 2009** to secure this rate. Be sure to ask for the "DECA Training" group rate when booking your lodging to receive this special rate.

Ground Transportation: Car rental is an option but is certainly not required. Shuttle services to/from the airport cost approximately \$18 one way or \$31 round trip. The Q Hotel and Spa offers free shuttle service to/from the training.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

Registration deadline is Friday, September 24, 2010, for trainings offered the week of October 4, 2010.

Continuing Education: We offer continuing education units for a minimal cost. Certificates of attendance will be given to each participant.

Cancellation Policy: If for any reason you are unable to attend the training, you may send someone in your place. A \$50 cancellation fee is assessed if you cancel at least two weeks prior to the conference; with less than two weeks notice, no refund is given. For issues related to cancellations please contact Debi Mahler at (610) 574-6141 or at dmahler@devereux.org.

Training Times: Registration (8am-8:30am), Training (8:30am-4:30pm), lunch and afternoon snack will be included in the registration fee.

To register ON-LINE by Check, Credit Card, or PO:

Please go to www.devereuxearlychildhood.org



2010 DECI National Training Calendar

Join us for other trainings offered by the Devereux Early Childhood Initiative and Devereux Regional Training Centers!

Dates	Training	Location
September 27-29	2.5-Day Facing the Challenge: Helping Teachers Better Work with Children with Challenging Behaviors Train-the-Trainer Session	Villanova, PA <i>(Suburb of Philadelphia)</i>
October 4-5	2-Day DECA Program Implementation Training	Kansas City, MO
October 6	1-Day DECA-C Training	Kansas City, MO
October 7-8	2-Day DECA Local Program Mentor Training	Kansas City, MO
October 21-22	2-Day FLIP IT Train-the-Trainer Session	San Antonio, TX
November 15-16	2-Day DECA for Infants and Toddlers Implementation Training	Newport, KY <i>(Suburb of Cincinnati, OH)</i>
November 17-18	2-Day DECA-I/T Local Program Mentor Training	Newport, KY <i>(Suburb of Cincinnati, OH)</i>

For more information or to register for any of these trainings, please go to www.devereuxearlychildhood.org. For questions or to bring any of these trainings to your community, please contact Debi Mahler, Training Coordinator, at dmahler@devereux.org or (610) 574-6141.

Stay tuned for the 2011 National Professional Development schedule coming soon!