

# REGION 5

J U L Y	July 9 & 23 6:30-8:30pm 4 hrs <b>Great Falls</b>	Deb Huestis Intermediate <b>\$28</b>	<b>Building a Serve and Return Relationship with Families</b> Learn strategies to build authentic, intentional relationships & partnerships with families. Create a program community plan focused on helping families & children succeed. <b>You must attend both sessions to receive credit.</b>	<b>KB:</b> Child Guidance, Environmental Design, Family & Community Partnerships <b>CDA:</b> Building productive relationships with families
	July 10 6-9pm 3 hrs <b>Great Falls</b>	Erin Helms Beginning <b>FREE</b>	<b>Program Management Essentials for Providers</b> Learn about Montana agencies and programs that support quality early care and education. Topics are licensing requirements, child development, curriculum, environments, guidance, family partnerships, and professionalism. <b>Participants must have previously applied to become a licensed provider.</b>	<b>KB:</b> Program Management <b>CDA:</b> Managing an effective program operation
	Jul 11 & 18 6-9pm 6 hrs <b>Great Falls</b>	Rori Croft Beginning <b>\$42</b>	★ <b>Montana Blended Pyramid Model: Module 1</b> Learn strategies based upon the Pyramid Model to help children develop social emotional skills, and how you can help children with challenging behaviors. <b>You must have completed Intro to the Pyramid Model.</b>	<b>KB:</b> Child Guidance, Environmental Design, Family & Community Partnerships <b>CDA:</b> Supporting social & emotional development, Providing positive guidance, Establishing and maintaining a safe, healthy learning environment
	July 12 6:30-8:30pm 2 hrs <b>Great Falls</b>	Erin Helms Beginning <b>\$14</b>	<b>So That's Why We Do That: An Early Education Philosophy and Theory Overview</b> Have you ever wondered why as early educators some things are done the way they are? Join us for the first in a series exploring theories and philosophies of the people that shaped the way we think about child development.	<b>KB:</b> Program Management <b>CDA:</b> Managing an effective program operation
	July 16, 30, Aug 13, 27 11am-1pm 10 hrs <b>Great Falls</b>	Erin Helms Intermediate <b>\$42</b>	<b>Childcare: More Than Business As Usual: Centers</b> In this series, we will discuss how to market your center, how to recruit and retain staff, and how fiscal management affects your program. <b>You must attend all 4 sessions for credit!</b>	<b>KB:</b> Program Management <b>CDA:</b> Managing an effective program operation
July 17 6:30-8:30pm 2 hrs <b>Great Falls</b>	Heather McCartney-Duty Beginning <b>\$14</b>	<b>So That's Why We Do That: The Montessori Approach</b> In this second installment of the theories and philosophies of early childhood education, we will explore the theorist Maria Montessori and how her philosophies shaped the early childhood world.	<b>KB:</b> Program Management <b>CDA:</b> Managing an effective program operation	
A U G U S T	Aug 7 6-9pm 3 hrs <b>Great Falls</b>	Erin Helms Beginning <b>FREE</b>	<b>Early Childhood Essentials</b> Explore Early Childhood systems in Montana and practices that promote health, safety, professionalism, & quality care and education. Explore community resources that support early childhood professionals, families & children.	<b>KB:</b> Child Growth and Development <b>CDA:</b> Understanding principles of child development and learning
	Aug 9 6:30-8:30pm 2 hrs <b>Great Falls</b>	Erin Helms Beginning <b>\$14</b>	<b>So That's Why We Do That: The Waldorf Approach</b> In this third installment of the theories and philosophies of early childhood education, we will explore the theorist Rudolf Steiner and how his philosophies shaped the early childhood world.	<b>KB:</b> Program Management <b>CDA:</b> Managing an effective program
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	August 20 & 27 6:30-8:30pm 4 hrs <b>Great Falls</b>	Deb Huestis Advanced <b>\$28</b>	<b>Power to the Profession</b> The field of Early Childhood Care and Education is on the verge of positive changes! Come find out what is on the horizon in our field and learn how to have your voice heard as we brave the exciting changes on the horizon. <b>You must attend both sessions to receive credit.</b>	<b>KB:</b> Professionalism <b>CDA:</b> Maintaining a commitment to professionalism
	August 23 6:30-8:30pm 2 hrs <b>Great Falls</b>	Erin Helms Beginning <b>\$14</b>	<b>So That's Why We Do That: The Reggio Emilia Approach</b> In this fourth installment of the theories and philosophies of early childhood education, we will explore the Reggio Emilia philosophy and how it has shaped the early childhood world.	<b>KB:</b> Child Growth and Development <b>CDA:</b> Understanding principles of child development and learning
August 30, Sept 6 & 13 6:30-8:30pm 6 hrs <b>Great Falls</b>	Karen Vanni Beginning <b>\$42</b>	<b>Advanced Excel Program Skills</b> Come deepen your skills and knowledge about Excel and how it can work for you and your program. Bring your laptop so you can learn your own machine and program version. This is a build-on-skills course. <b>Participants are required to take all three sessions in order to receive credit.</b>	<b>KB:</b> Professionalism <b>CDA:</b> Maintaining a commitment to professionalism	
August 21 6:30-8:30pm 2 hrs <b>Conrad</b>	Erin Helms Beginning <b>\$14</b>	<b>Making Sense of Sensory Learning</b> Young children learn using their senses. We will cover the ins and outs of sensory learning from infants to preschoolers with lots of hands on activities. <b>Stockman Bank Drive Thru 710 S Main Conrad</b>	<b>KB:</b> Curriculum <b>CDA:</b> Advancing children's physical and intellectual development	
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	Sept 6 6:30-8:30pm 2 hrs <b>Great Falls</b>	Erin Helms Beginning <b>\$14</b>	<b>So That's Why We Do That: Erik Erikson</b> In this fifth installment of the theories and philosophies of early childhood education, we will explore Erik Erikson's philosophy and how it has shaped the early childhood world.	<b>KB:</b> Program Management <b>CDA:</b> Managing an effective program operation
	Sept 6 6-8pm 2 hrs <b>Great Falls</b>	Laura Wren Intermediate <b>\$14</b>	★ <b>Montana Blended Pyramid Model: Overview of Module 3</b> For staff who are NOT part of the behavior support team, learn how challenging behaviors are addressed in your program and what your role is. <b>You MUST have completed Intro to the Pyramid Model, Module 1, &amp; Module 2.</b>	<b>KB:</b> Child Guidance <b>CDA:</b> Supporting social & emotional development, Proving Positive Child Guidance, Establishing and maintaining a safe, healthy learning environment.
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	Sept 19 & 26 6-9pm 6 hrs <b>Great Falls</b>	Laura Wren Intermediate <b>\$42</b>	★ <b>Montana Blended Pyramid Model: Module 2</b> Continue learning strategies from the Pyramid Model to help children develop social emotional skills, & how you can help children with challenging behaviors. <b>You must have completed Intro to the Pyramid Model &amp; Module 1.</b>	<b>KB:</b> Child Guidance <b>CDA:</b> Supporting social emotional development, Proving Positive Child Guidance, Establishing and maintaining a safe, healthy learning environment.
	Sept 20 6:30-8:30pm 2 hrs <b>Great Falls</b>	Erin Helms Beginning <b>\$14</b>	<b>So That's Why We Do That: Jean Piaget and Lev Vygotsky</b> In this sixth installment of the theories and philosophies of early childhood education, we will explore the theories of Piaget and Vygotsky and how their thinking has shaped the early childhood world.	<b>KB:</b> Program Management <b>CDA:</b> Managing an effective program operation
	Sept 4 & 11 6-9pm 6 hrs <b>Choteau</b>	Laura Wren Beginning <b>\$42</b>	★ <b>Montana Blended Pyramid Model Module 1</b> Learn strategies based upon the Pyramid Model to help children develop social emotional skills, and how you as a provider can help children with challenging behaviors. <b>You must have completed Intro to the Pyramid Model. Location to be announced.</b>	<b>KB:</b> Child Guidance, Environmental Design, Family and Community Partnerships <b>CDA:</b> Supporting social and emotional development, Providing positive guidance, Establishing and maintaining a safe, healthy learning environment.
	Sept 10 & 17 6-9pm 6 hrs <b>Lewistown</b>	Rori Croft Beginning <b>\$42</b>	★ <b>Montana Blended Pyramid Model Module 1</b> Learn strategies based upon the Pyramid Model to help children develop social emotional skills and how you, as a provider can help children with challenging behaviors. <b>You MUST have completed Intro to the Pyramid Model. Small Wonder Child Care 512 West Broadway, Lewistown</b>	<b>KB:</b> Child Guidance, Environmental Design, Family and Community Partnerships <b>CDA:</b> Supporting social and emotional development, Providing positive guidance, Establishing and maintaining a safe, healthy learning environment.
Sept 15 9-3pm 6 hrs <b>Choteau</b>	Laura Wren Intermediate <b>\$42</b>	★ <b>Montana Blended Pyramid Model: Module 2</b> Continue learning strategies from the Pyramid Model to help children develop social emotional skills & how you can help children with challenging behaviors. <b>You must have completed Intro to the Pyramid Model &amp; Module 1. Location to be announced.</b>	<b>KB:</b> Child Guidance <b>CDA:</b> Supporting social & emotional development, Proving Positive Child Guidance, Establishing and maintaining a safe, healthy learning environment.	
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## CPR / First Aid in Great Falls

American Heart Association Heart Saver Adult/Child/Infant CPR, AED, and First Aid – 2-year Certification Course

- \* The course is \$30 per person and is open to those 16 years or older
- \* For all daytime CPR/FA classes please bring a lunch as there will be no break.
- \* The Heart Saver courses have no written test and do not qualify for health care providers, nursing students, or others in the medical field

July 12	6-10pm	Great Falls
July 14	9am-2pm	Great Falls
July 24	6-10pm	Great Falls
July 26	9am-2pm	Great Falls
August 8	9am-2pm	Great Falls
August 15	6-10pm	Great Falls
August 21	6-10pm	Great Falls
August 25	9am-2pm	Great Falls
September 12	6-10pm	Great Falls
September 15	9am-2pm	Great Falls
September 20	9am-2pm	Great Falls
September 26	6-10pm	Great Falls



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American Heart Association Basic Life Support (BLS) CPR Course

- \* The course is \$45 per person and is open to those 16 years or older
- \* This course is for those in the health care field and is only the CPR component.
- \* This course will not satisfy child care licensing requirements.

July 23	9am-1pm	Great Falls
September 24	9am-1pm	Great Falls

- \* Sign up only available by calling 406.761.6010 or 800.696.4503
- \* There is a maximum of six participants, **YOU MUST BE REGISTERED TO ATTEND**
- \* All other Family Connections training policies apply.
- \* Certification cards come as an e-card through your email and will be distributed within 20 days of the course.

**Participants need to pay in advance of the class, if they don't pay by 10 am the day before a class they will forfeit their place and it will be given to a person on the wait list.**

## Registration Information

- \* Pre-registration required to secure your spot & ensure you are contacted for any changes or cancellations.
- \* Registration required at least one week prior to class date.
- \* Pay, register, and view professional development training policies online at: [FamilyConnectionsMT.org](http://FamilyConnectionsMT.org)
- \* Payment is required to be registered for a course.
- \* All courses are located at Family Connections unless noted.
- \* If you have any questions, contact Family Connections at 406.761.6010 or 800.696.4503.
- \* All Pyramid Model courses are in a prerequisite format. Participants must take Introduction to the Pyramid Model, Module 1, Module 2, and then Module 3.
- \* All professional development opportunities offered for 5 hours or more are available for CEU and OPI credits.
- \* Online courses are available from Child Care Resources at [childcaretraining.org](http://childcaretraining.org).
- \* Please read the NAEYC's Code of Ethics at [naeyc.org/ethics](http://naeyc.org/ethics)
- \* **Please do not bring your children to trainings without prior approval.**



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  - \* Receive resources, coaching, assistance, encouragement and support for your child care program.
  - \* Qualify for monetary incentives and mini grant opportunities.

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