

REGION 6

A P R I L	Apr 7 9am-12pm 3hrs Glendive	Mandy Hall Beginning Free	Early Childhood Essentials 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 and children. Mid Rivers Communication Glendive Service Center, Glendive	KB: Child Growth and Development CDA: Understanding principles of child development and learning
	Apr 9 & May 14 6-8pm 4hrs Malta	Tammy Phelps Beginning Free	"Licensing Changes and ECP registry- how does it affect you?" This course will help providers meet licensing requirements and feel confident in managing on-line requirements with hands on practice. We will discuss ways to manage and get the most from on-line training. You must attend both sessions to receive credit. Malta Business Center 46 N 1st St East, Malta	KB: Program Management, Professionalism CDA: Maintaining a commitment to professionalism, Managing an effective program operation
	Apr 14 10am-2pm 4hrs Sidney	Stephanie Ler Intermediate \$28	ServSafe in Child Care This course will cover basic food safety principles in child care settings. We will discuss the five most common behaviors leading to food borne illness, food safety for young children, and special precautions when dealing with allergens. Fellowship Baptist Church 2181 West Holly Street, Sidney	KB: Health and Well-being CDA: Planning a safe, healthy, learning environment
	Apr 23 6-9pm 3hrs Havre	Tammy Phelps Beginning Free	Program Management Essentials Learn about Montana agencies and programs that support quality early care and education, Topics include licensing requirements, child development, curriculum, environments, guidance, family partnerships, and professionalism. HRDC 2229 5th Ave, Havre	KB: Program Management CDA: Managing an effective program operation
	Apr 24 & May 1 6:30-8:30 4 hrs Sidney	Mandy Hall Beginning Free	"Licensing Changes and ECP registry- how does it affect you?" This course will help providers meet licensing requirements and feel confident in managing on-line requirements with hands on practice. We will discuss ways to manage and get the most from on-line training. You must attend both sessions to receive credit. Richland County Health Department 1201 West Holly Street, Sidney	KB: Program Management, Professionalism CDA: Maintaining a commitment to professionalism, Managing an effective program operation
M A Y	Apr 25 & May 1 6-8pm 4hrs Sidney	Mandy Hall Beginning Free	"Licensing Changes and ECP registry- how does it affect you?" This course will help providers meet licensing requirements and feel confident in managing on-line requirements with hands on practice. We will discuss ways to manage and get the most from on-line training. You must attend both sessions to receive credit. Richland County Health Department 1201 West Holly Street, Sidney	KB: Program Management, Professionalism CDA: Maintaining a commitment to professionalism, Managing an effective program operation
	May 7 7-9pm 2hrs Havre	Eligibility Staff Beginning Free	Eligibility Answers for Providers Come join us and deepen your knowledge about the Best Beginnings Scholarship Program. We will discuss new rules, the payment process, and much more! HRDC 2229 5th Ave, Havre	KB: Program Management CDA: Managing an effective program
	May 8 & 31 6-8pm 4hrs Glendive	Mandy Hall Beginning Free	"Licensing Changes and ECP registry- how does it affect you?" This course will help providers meet licensing requirements and feel confident in managing on-line requirements with hands on practice. We will discuss ways to manage and get the most from on-line training. You must attend both sessions to receive credit. Mid Rivers Communication Glendive Service Center, Glendive	KB: Program Management, Professionalism CDA: Maintaining a commitment to professionalism, Managing an effective program operation
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	May 15 6-8pm 2hrs Sidney	Mandy Hall Beginning \$14	Literacy League: Oh Boy! Literacy is a vital part of daily activities with young children. We will focus on literacy that boys are interested in. This class will stress how literacy is important to build off of and help children develop physically, socially and academically. Richland County Health Department 1201 West Holly Street, Sidney	KB: Curriculum CDA: Advancing children's physical and intellectual development
	May 19 9am-1pm 4hrs Glasgow	Tammy Phelps Beginning Free	"Licensing Changes and ECP registry- how does it affect you?" This course will help providers meet licensing requirements and feel confident in managing on-line requirements with hands on practice. We will discuss ways to manage and get the most from on-line training. You must attend both sessions to receive credit. Location TBD, Glasgow	KB: Program Management, Professionalism CDA: Maintaining a commitment to professionalism, Managing an effective program operation
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J U N E	Jun 2 10am-12pm 2hrs Glasgow	Mandy Hall Beginning \$14	Encouraging Spaces Children are provided a rich learning environment when their space is intentionally arranged for optimal learning. Space should help a child move through educational activities that are fun and inviting. Children will thrive when schedules of daily learning activities are presented. Cottonwood Inn & Suites 54250 US 2, Glasgow	KB: Environmental Design CDA: Planning a safe, healthy, learning environment
	Jun 5 6:30-8:30pm 2 hrs Sidney	Mandy Hall Beginning \$14	Literacy League: Sunny Days! Literacy is a vital part of daily activities with young children. We can focus on literacy that teaches seasonal change, with summertime being the overall focus. This class will stress how literacy is important to build off of and help children develop physically, socially and academically. Richland County Health Department 1201 West Holly Street, Sidney	KB: Curriculum CDA: Advancing children's physical and intellectual development
	Jun 9 9am-1pm 4hrs Havre	Tammy Phelps Beginning Free	"Licensing Changes and ECP registry- how does it affect you?" This course will help providers meet licensing requirements and feel confident in managing on-line requirements with hands on practice. We will discuss ways to manage and get the most from on-line training. HRDC 2229 5th Ave, Havre	KB: Program Management, Professionalism CDA: Maintaining a commitment to professionalism, Managing an effective program operation
	Jun 11 6-8pm 10hrs Malta	Tammy Phelps Intermediate \$30	Book Club: 'Their Name Is Today' There's hope for childhood. Despite a perfect storm of hostile forces that are robbing children of a healthy childhood, courageous caregivers will meet to discuss how we can turn the tide. Participation in additional phone calls required to receive full 10 hrs. Book will be provided at first meeting. Malta Business Center 46 N 1st St East, Malta	KB: Family and Community Partnerships, Health and Well Being, Diversity CDA: Supporting social and emotional development, Building productive relationships with families
	Jun 26 6-9pm 3hrs Glendive	Mandy Hall Beginning \$21	Wonderful World of Infants and Toddlers This course is designed to help participants understand how to learn how infants and toddler develop and learn. The course will give ideas, and tips on making classrooms and programs more effective for infants and toddlers. Participants will be able to discuss issues and compare new ideas with others. Mid Rivers Communication Glendive Service Center, Glendive	KB: Child Growth and Development CDA: Planning a safe, healthy, learning environment

Pyramid Model Training coming soon to Region 6.

Watch our website for further details: FamilyConnectionsMT.org

Montana Preschool Teacher Education

We are excited to offer the Montana Preschool Teacher Education Course in eastern Montana. If you work with preschool age children, this course is for you. The course requires the purchase of the course textbook. College credit is available. Call Family Connections with any questions. Visit Mtecp.org for Knowledge Base and CDA content information

When: April 7- June 11, 9am-4pm, 60 hours

Instructor: Denise Herman

Cost: \$150 for non-STARS providers

FREE for STARS providers, location TBD

Registration Deadline: March 28, 5pm



Register on line at FamilyConnectionsMT.org or call 406.761.6010 or 800.696.4503

Keeping Kids Healthy Mini Conference

Join us as we welcome BJ Biskupiak with the School Health Program, and Kara Hughes with the Nutrition and Physical Activity Program to explore ways to create a healthy environment, encourage healthy activities, and healthy eating habits in the children we care for.

6 hours total, 2 hours qualify for CACFP nutrition training requirement.

When: March 24 9am-3pm

Where: HRDC 2229 5th Ave, Havre

Cost: \$20, Lunch will be provided



**Hi-Set testing is available at the
Hi-Line Homes Program: 605 3rd Ave S, Glasgow
Call to make an appointment 406.228.9431**

Registration Information

- * **Pre-registration required to secure your spot & ensure you are contacted for any course changes or cancellations.**
- * **Registration required at least one week prior to class date.**
- * Pay, register for courses, and review all professional development training policies online at: 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.
- * Please read the NAEYC's Code of Ethics at naeyc.org/ethics

CPR / First Aid

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**
- * The Heart Saver courses have no written test and do not qualify for health care providers, nursing students or others in the medical field

April 5 Sidney 4-9pm

Richland County Health Department

May 11 Sidney 4-9pm

1201 West Holly, Sidney

- * Sign up on line at FamilyConnectionsMT.org or call 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.

For other dates and locations contact:

Jeri Erickson in Havre: 406.390.2210 Jeri_1420@yahoo.com

Sharon Humphrey in Glendive: 406.377.1707



Need Fingerprints for a background check?

**Contact Mandy Hall: 406.973.4256
mandyh@familyconnectionsmt.org**

Attention all child care providers

**It's exciting to be a part of Early Childhood Education
and STARS is an AMAZING opportunity for you!**



The **Best Beginnings STARS to Quality Program** is a continuous quality improvement program for early childhood education in Montana. The STARS program can open many doors for both you and your program.

Just a few of the great opportunities the STARS program has to offer are:

- * Be a part of this exciting program to improve the quality of early childhood care and education.
- * Receive resources, coaching, assistance, encouragement and support for your child care program.
- * Qualify for monetary incentives and mini grant opportunities.

Child Care Providers in Regions 5 & 6 will receive a VISA Gift Card just for applying!

Apply today at <http://dphhs.mt.gov/hcsd/ChildCare/STARS/applyforstars>

For more information about STARS or help with the application process, call us today at 406.761.6010 or 800.696.4503