

J U L Y	Jul 10 9am-12pm 3 hrs Lewistown	Charrisse Jennings Intermediate \$15	<u>Planning for Play: Projects, Themes and Schemas</u> Discover ideas for implementing play opportunities as a secure base for young children to explore their emerging interests, develop holistically, and tackle challenging problems. Deepen your understanding about incorporating rich learning in uninterrupted play, using open-ended questioning strategies, promoting social learning, and enhancing hands-on activities for children.	KB: Curriculum CDA: Advancing children's physical and intellectual development
	Jul 19 6-9pm 3 hrs Great Falls	Deb Huestis Beginning Free	<u>Early Childhood Essentials</u> Explore early childhood systems in Montana and practices that promote health, safety, professionalism and quality early care and education. Explore community resources that support early childhood professionals, families and children. This is the live course component for licensing orientation.	KB: Child Growth and Development CDA: Understanding principles of child development and learning
	Jul 20 6-9pm 3 hrs Great Falls	Deb Huestis Beginning Free	<u>Program Management Essentials for Directors</u> Learning 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. Participants must have previously applied to become a licensed provider.	KB: Program Management CDA: Managing an effective program
	Jul 26 6-9pm 3 hrs Great Falls	Deb Huestis Intermediate \$15	<u>Ethics and the Early Childhood Field</u> Understanding our professional responsibility to the children and families we serve is paramount to being an effective early childhood professional. Not just knowing the Code of Ethics but living the Code of Ethics is mark of a true professional. Learn about the Code and how to use it in your everyday work with children and families in this overview training.	KB: Professionalism CDA: Maintaining a commitment to professionalism

A U G U S T	Aug 2 6-9pm 3 hrs Great Falls	Deb Huestis Beginning \$15	<u>The Growing Brain – The Basics</u> Join us as we learn how the brain grows and develops from conception to five years old and describe the main parts of the brain and their functions, as well as explore how you, as a provider can support healthy brain development in early childhood when the brain is the most plastic, or receptive to change. This is a Zero to Three training.	KB: Child Growth and Development CDA: Advancing children's physical and intellectual development
	Aug 2 6-9pm 3 hrs Web Based	Charrisse Jennings Beginning Free	<u>Program Management Essentials for Directors</u> Learning 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. Participants must have previously applied to become a licensed provider.	KB: Program Management CDA: Managing an effective program
	Aug 3 6-9pm 3 hrs Web Based	Charrisse Jennings Beginning Free	<u>Early Childhood Essentials</u> Explore early childhood systems in Montana and practices that promote health, safety, professionalism and quality early care and education. Explore community resources that support early childhood professionals, families and children. This is the live course component for licensing orientation.	KB: Child Growth and Development CDA: Understanding principles of child development & learning
	Aug 9 6-9pm 3 hrs Great Falls	Deb Huestis Intermediate \$15	<u>The Growing Brain – Understanding Behavior</u> This three-hour adventure will discuss the various areas of the brain and how they influence young children's behaviors. We will discuss approaches for identifying the root cause of young children's behaviors and discuss and demonstrate effective strategies to address challenging behaviors in very young children. This is a Zero to Three training.	KB: Child Guidance CDA: Understanding principles of child development and learning
	Aug 12 & 26 6:30-8:30pm 4 hrs Web Based	Charrisse Jennings Intermediate \$20	<u>Parents as Partners</u> Genuine respect for every family helps children feel accepted as they integrate their life at home and life in your program. In this training we will look at honoring families by being warm and welcoming builds a mutual connection and support that benefits children. Must attend both sessions to receive credit.	KB: Family and Community Partnerships, Program Management CDA: Building productive relationships with families, Program management
	Aug 16 6-9pm 3 hrs Great Falls	Deb Huestis Intermediate \$15	<u>The Growing Brain – Everyday Play</u> Play is not just fun; it is a critical aspect of a child's overall learning and development. Play is defined in different ways by many different scientists, child development experts, and organizations. All definitions have this in common, however: Play is the way children learn how objects in the world work, how people think, feel and act; and how to problem solve. Pretty much everything a child needs to be successful socially and academically is provided through play. Find out how to support play in your environments and programs through your own hands-on learning and exploration. This is a Zero to Three training.	KB: Curriculum CDA: Understanding principles of child development and learning
	Aug 24 6-9pm 3 hrs Web Based	Charrisse Jennings Beginning Free	<u>Health and Safety Review</u> Montana Child Care Licensing regulations require that individuals working in licensed or registered programs complete this health and safety review course every three years. This is a review course and will not count for licensing orientation.	KB: Health & Well Being CDA: Planning safe and healthy learning environments
	Aug 31 6-8pm 2 hrs Web Based	Charrisse Jennings Intermediate \$10	<u>Play Attention</u> The skill of paying attention takes focus, working memory, and cognitive flexibility. It is an important life skill for all children to develop. Join us as we look at how to use play based activities that promote the development of paying attention, focus, and self-control for children of all ages.	KB: Child Growth and Development CDA: Understanding principles of learning and development

SEPTEMBER	Sept 1 6-9pm 3 hrs Great Falls	Deb Huestis Beginning Free	<u>Program Management Essentials for Directors</u> Learning 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. Participants must have previously applied to become a licensed provider.	KB: Program Management CDA: Managing an effective program
	Sept 15 6-8pm 2 hrs Great Falls	Charrisse Jennings Intermediate \$10	<u>Play Attention</u> The skill of paying attention takes focus, working memory, and cognitive flexibility. It is an important life skill for all children to develop. Join us as we look at how to use play based activities that promote the development of paying attention, focus, and self-control for children of all ages.	KB: Child Growth and Development CDA: Understanding principles of learning and development
	Sept 16 6-9pm 3 hrs Web Based	Charrisse Jennings Beginning Free	<u>Keeping Children Safe in MT with Active Supervision</u> As an early care and education professional you will find adult supervision is the most effective way to keep children safe, prevent injury and lay the foundation for meaningful interactions and individualized learning. This training opportunity walks through the planning, implementation and strategies for all indoor and outdoor environments.	KB: Health & Well Being CDA: Planning a safe and healthy learning environment
	Sept 29 6-9pm 3 hrs Great Falls	Deb Huestis Beginning Free	<u>Early Childhood Essentials</u> Explore early childhood systems in Montana and practices that promote health, safety, professionalism and quality early care and education. Explore community resources that support early childhood professionals, families and children. This is the live course component for licensing orientation.	KB: Child Growth and Development CDA: Understanding principles of child development and learning

Heart Saver CPR/FA:	<u>In Great Falls at Family Connections</u>	<u>In Lewistown at Small Wonder Childcare</u>
	Thursday, July 8 6pm-9pm	Wednesday, July 14 6pm-9pm
	Monday, July 19 9am-12pm	Wednesday, Aug 11 6pm-9pm
	Saturday, Aug 7 9am-12pm	Saturday, Sept 18 8am-11am
	Thursday, Aug 12 6pm-9pm	
	Thursday, Sept 2 9am-12pm	
	Thursday, Sept 9 6pm-9pm	
	Saturday, Sept 18 9am-12pm	

- * For all daytime CPR/FA classes, please bring a lunch as there will be no break.
- * Due to COVID-19 protocols, classes are limited to 4 students.
- * All other FCMT training policies will apply to CPR/FA classes.

Great Falls CPR/FA Students:

- * To limit classroom time, all CPR/FA classes in Great Falls will be conducted in the American Heart Association's blended course model.
- * Students must complete the Pediatric First Aid CPR online portion before attending in-person skills session to complete the Adult CPR/AED modules.
- * Heartsaver Pediatric First Aid CPR AED Online course: <https://elearning.heart.org/course/777>
- * A printed certificate of online course completion will need to be brought to the skills class.
- * This certificate is not your official card, students need to pass the skills portion for licensing purposes.
- * Students will be required to register for a skills class through Family Connections.
- * Online course is \$20.00 and due at the time of enrollment through the website.
- * In-person skills classes are \$20.00 payable to Family Connections and due the day before class to reserve the spot.
- * Please call the Great office at 406.761.6010 to schedule skills classes and make payment.

Child Care Providers: ECSB has announced upcoming changes!

Effective 6/1/2021:

- * Fee waived for FBI Fingerprint-Based Background Checks, Call Family Connections at 406.761.6010 to schedule appointments
- * Temporary Changes to the Best Beginnings Scholarship to support children, families and child care providers

Effective 7/1/2021:

- * New statewide reimbursement rate increases.
- * Please update your rates online @ <http://familyconnectionsmt.org/providers/referral-center/update-your-rates/>

For more information please see our website @ <https://familyconnectionsmt.org/news/>

Registration Information

- * Pre-registration required to secure your spot and ensure you are contacted for any changes or cancellations.
- * Registration is required at least one week prior to class date.
- * Pay, register, and view professional development training policies online at: FamilyConnectionsMT.org.
- * Payment is required to be registered for a course.
- * If you have any questions, contact Family Connections at 406.761.6010 or 800.696.4503.
- * Pyramid Model course prerequisites: 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.
- * Please do not bring children to trainings without prior approval.