

**STARS Programs:** Did you know you can earn professional development training hours through coaching?  
Contact Rori Croft for more information @ (406) 750-4106

**If you have new staff who need PME, CPR/First Aid, or other courses:**  
Contact Tammy 406.899.4894 [tammyp@familyconnectionsmt.org](mailto:tammyp@familyconnectionsmt.org) or Khristi 406.654.4228 [khristid@familyconnectionsmt.org](mailto:khristid@familyconnectionsmt.org)

All classes are subject to change. check our website for changes at [FamilyConnectionsMT.org/news-classes/class-schedule/](http://FamilyConnectionsMT.org/news-classes/class-schedule/)

## Pyramid Model

All pyramid model trainings have been moved online. These trainings are set up for STARS programs to be able to access them easily at any time. With the support of your STARS coach, these trainings can create a stable environment for your classroom. Please see links below. If you have questions please call and speak with your STARS coach today!

### Introduction to the Pyramid Model

Childcaretraining.org: <https://www.childcaretraining.org/mod/page/view.php?id=4024>

### Montana Blended Pyramid Model: Module 1

Continue learning strategies from the Pyramid Model to help children develop social emotional skills, and how you can help children with challenging behaviors. You **MUST** have completed Intro to the Pyramid  
[https://www.mtecpregistry.mtecp.org/v7/trainings/search/\(slider-new:513408/detail\)](https://www.mtecpregistry.mtecp.org/v7/trainings/search/(slider-new:513408/detail))

### Montana Blended Pyramid Model: Module 2

Continue learning strategies from the Pyramid Model to help children develop social emotional skills, and how you can help children with challenging behaviors. You **MUST** have completed Intro to the Pyramid Model and Pyramid Module 1.  
[https://www.mtecpregistry.mtecp.org/v7/trainings/search/\(slider-new:513412/detail\)](https://www.mtecpregistry.mtecp.org/v7/trainings/search/(slider-new:513412/detail))

### Montana Blended Pyramid Model: Module 3

Continue learning strategies from the Pyramid Model to help children develop social emotional skills, and how you can help children with challenging behaviors. You **MUST** have completed Intro to the Pyramid Model, Module 1 & 2.  
[https://www.mtecpregistry.mtecp.org/v7/trainings/search/\(slider-new:513417/detail\)](https://www.mtecpregistry.mtecp.org/v7/trainings/search/(slider-new:513417/detail))

JANUARY	KB: Child Guidance CDA: Supporting children's social and emotional development	<u>Ants in Their Pants</u> Children need to move! Join us to learn how incorporating more movement in your day can prevent challenging behaviors.	Jan 12 6-8pm 2 hrs Web-based	Rori Croft Beginning \$14
	KB: Personal Dispositions CDA: Maintaining a commitment to professionalism	<u>Respectful Caregiving Series - Teaching With Respect</u> Helping teachers understand the importance of respect in their interactions with all human beings, including young children who spend much of the day in their early childhood program.	Jan 18 6-8pm 2 hrs Web-based	Tammy Phelps Intermediate \$14
	KB: Child Guidance, Curriculum CDA: Supporting children's social and emotional development, Providing positive guidance	<u>Creating Calm in a Child's Crazy World</u> We are living in stressful times and children are not immune to the crazy that surrounds them. Join us as we investigate techniques and create tools to bring calm to your program.	Jan 22 10am-1pm 3 hrs Glasgow	Khristi Drabbs Tammy Phelps Intermediate \$21
		<u>Heartsaver Pediatric First Aid and CPR</u> All CPR/FA classes through Family Connections will be conducted in the American Heart Association's blended course model. Students must complete the online portion before attending in-person skills sessions, completing ALL optional modules (adult CPR/AED), and bring a printed copy of your certificate of completion to the skills class. Contact Khristi Drabbs: <a href="mailto:khristid@familyconnectionsmt.org">khristid@familyconnectionsmt.org</a> for more information and the schedule.	Jan 22 4-7pm 3 hrs Glasgow	Khristi Drabbs Beginning \$25
	KB: Health and Well Being, Family and Community Partnerships CDA: Planning a healthy safe learning environment, Building productive relationships with families	<u>MT Emergency Guardian Program Training - Protecting Children in Emergencies</u> Disasters and emergencies can strike at any moment. When emergencies occur, those most vulnerable are our youngest citizens, the children. We will learn about the purpose and contractual functions of a child care guardian program in the context of the community emergency preparedness plan. We will learn how family, school, child care, and community plans each have an individual function in ensuring the safety and proper response during any type of emergency situation.	Jan 29 9 am- 1 pm Web Based	Charrisse Jennings Intermediate Free

FEBRUARY	KB: Observation, Documentation, Assessment CDA: Observing and recording children's behavior	<u>Observation and Documentation Series</u> It's more than just watching the kids play! Join us as we learn more about various types of documentation and practice our observation skills in this hands on class.	Feb 9 6-8pm 2 hrs Havre	Khristi Drabbs Beginning \$14
	KB: Personal Dispositions CDA: Maintaining a commitment to professionalism	<u>Respectful Caregiving Series - Granting Children Their Emotions</u> This event will present the importance of granting children their expressed emotions, explore strategies for increasing trust, and consider the effects and ethical issues of not taking children's emotions seriously.	Feb 22 6-8pm 2 hrs Web based	Tammy Phelps Intermediate \$14
	KB: Maintaining a commitment to professionalism CDA: Planning a safe, healthy, learning environment	<u>Emergency Preparations for Childcare</u> This course is designed for owners/directors to have a complete emergency plan in place upon completion. Must have already completed YIKES. Participants must attend all 3 sessions to receive credit.	Feb 24, Mar 3, Mar 10 6:30-8:30pm 6 hrs Web Based	Charrisse Jennings & Esther Wilson Advanced \$42
	KB: Child Guidance CDA: Supporting children's social and emotional development	<u>Creating Calm in a Child's Crazy World</u> We are living in stressful times and children are not immune to the crazy that surrounds them. Join us as we investigate techniques and create tools to bring calm to your program.	Feb 26 10am-1pm 3 hrs Havre	Khristi Drabbs Tammy Phelps Intermediate \$21
		<u>Heartsaver Pediatric First Aid and CPR</u> All CPR/FA classes through Family Connections will be conducted in the American Heart Association's blended course model. Students must complete the online portion before attending in-person skills sessions, completing ALL optional modules (adult CPR/AED), and bring a printed copy of your certificate of completion to the skills class. Contact Khristi Drabbs: <a href="mailto:khristid@familyconnectionsmt.org">khristid@familyconnectionsmt.org</a> for more information and the schedule.	Feb 26 4-7pm 3 hrs Havre	Khristi Drabbs Beginning \$25

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	KB: Health and Well-being CDA: Planning a safe healthy learning environment	<u>Respectful Caregiving Series - Making Happy Happen: Building Resilience in Children</u> We will discover the elements of a child's life that contribute to resilience, helping children to develop essential life skills needed to cope with challenges.	Mar 8 6-8pm 2 hrs Plentywood	Tammy Phelps Intermediate \$14
		<u>Introduction to Trauma Informed Caregiving</u> Heidi Lester, Trauma/Resilience Educator will present an introduction to trauma informed caregiving for parents, caregivers, and other community members. Watch for additional information and registration for this event	Mar 11 6:30-8:30pm 2 hrs Glendive	Heidi Lester
		<u>Beyond the Basics of Trauma Informed Caregiving</u> Heidi Lester, Trauma/Resilience Educator will share tips and tools for supporting our youngest victims of trauma. Watch for additional information and registration for this event	Mar 12 10am-3pm 5 hrs Glendive	Heidi Lester
	KB: Observation, Documentation, Assessment CDA: Observing and recording children's behavior	<u>Observation and Documentation Series: It's more than just watching the kids play!</u> Join us as we learn more about various types of documentation, and practice our observation skills in this hands on class.	Mar 25 6-8pm 2 hrs Glasgow	Khristi Drabbs Beginning \$14
	KB: Observation, Documentation, Assessment CDA: Observing and recording children's behavior	<u>Observation and Documentation Series: It's more than just watching the kids play!</u> Join us as we learn more about various types of documentation, and practice our observation skills in this hands on class.	Mar 26 6-8pm 2 hrs Culbertson	Khristi Drabbs Beginning \$14
		<u>Heartsaver Pediatric First Aid and CPR</u> All CPR/FA classes through Family Connections will be conducted in the American Heart Association's blended course model. Students must complete the online portion before attending in-person skills sessions, completing ALL optional modules (adult CPR/AED), and bring a printed copy of your certificate of completion to the skills class. Contact Khristi Drabbs: <a href="mailto:khristid@familyconnectionsmt.org">khristid@familyconnectionsmt.org</a> for more information and the schedule.	Mar 26 4-7pm 3 hrs Culbertson	Khristi Drabbs Beginning \$25

### 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.
- \* If you have any questions, contact Family Connections at 406.761.6010 or 800.696.4503.
- \* 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 children to trainings without prior approval.