

## 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](http://Childcaretraining.org)

### 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>

### 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.

A P R I L	KB: Health and Wellbeing CDA: Planning a safe, healthy, learning environment	<u>CORE DEC Awareness: A collaborative Approach to Support Drug Endangered Children (DEC)</u> Join us to increase awareness about drug endangered children and risks they face; information about the appropriate signs and professional responses to identify children in need of support related to exposure to substances. Zoom registration: <u><a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/join/zoom/register/tZAocO6qrzkqHd20gV56sStfQrCw2ytIGELf">https://us02web.zoom.us/join/zoom/register/tZAocO6qrzkqHd20gV56sStfQrCw2ytIGELf</a></u>  In-person Registration: <u><a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/drug-endangered-children-what-can-i-do-tickets-264274280487">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/drug-endangered-children-what-can-i-do-tickets-264274280487</a></u>	Apr 5 6-8pm 2 hrs Web Based or in-person Great Falls	Partnering for Prevention Beginning Free
	KB: Program Management CDA: Managing an effective program	<u>Program Management Essentials</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.	Apr 14 1-4pm 3 hrs Web Based	Charrisse Jennings Beginning Free
	KB: Observation, Documentation, Assessment CDA: Observing and recording children's behavior	<u>The Art of Lesson Planning: Play, Plan, Learning</u> Have you ever asked yourself: how do I write a lesson plan to show that everything I do is intentional, preplanned, child focused, responsive, developmentally appropriate, and based upon the most current research? If you have, this training is for you! We will break it down and provide tools to ensure your lesson plans contain all they need to provide high quality experiences and build relationships. Participants must attend all three sessions to receive credit.	Apr 25, May 23, Jun 6 6:30-8:30pm 6 hrs Web Based	Deb Huestis Beginning \$35
	KB: Health and Well Being CDA: Advancing children's physical and intellectual development	<u>Moving More</u> Teachers hold the power to encourage movement. Join us as we look at creative ways to include physical activity into your daily classroom environment and routines!	Apr 26 6-9 pm 3 hrs Great Falls	Charrisse Jennings Intermediate \$21

M A Y	KB: Curriculum CDA: Advancing children's physical and intellectual development	<u>Provider Appreciation 2022:</u> <u>Growing Up Wild for Early Childhood &amp; Project Learning Tree</u> Take advantage of this opportunity to increase your understanding of environmental experiences to engage children in Montana's environment. 4600 Giant Springs Road, Great Falls	May 7 9am-3pm 6 hours Great Falls	Laura Hajek Beginning \$25
	KB: Observation, Documentation, Assessment CDA: Observing and recording children's behavior	<u>The Art of Lesson Planning: Play, Plan, Learning</u> Have you ever asked yourself: how do I write a lesson plan to show that everything I do is intentional, preplanned, child focused, responsive, developmentally appropriate, and based upon the most current research? If you have, this training is for you! We will break it down and provide tools to ensure your lesson plans contain all they need to provide high quality experiences and build relationships. Participants must attend all three sessions to receive credit.	Apr 25, May 23, Jun 6 6:30-8:30pm 6 hrs Web Based	Deb Huestis Beginning \$35
	KB: Health and Well Being, Family and Community Partnerships, Program Management CDA: Planning a safe, healthy, learning environment, Building productive relationships with families, Managing an effective program	<u>Emergency Preparations for Childcare</u> This course is designed for owners/directors to have a complete emergency plan in place upon completion. It is recommended that participants have already completed the required child care licensing trainings prior to taking this session. Participants must attend all 3 sessions to receive credit.	May 12, 19, and 26 6:30-8:30pm 6 hrs Web Based	Esther Wilson & Charrisse Jennings Advanced Free
	KB: Curriculum CDA: Advancing children's physical and intellectual development	<u>Exploring Math Through Play</u> When children are immersed in play, they tend to tackle challenges, stick with problem solving, and approach puzzling topics in various ways; which can all lead to deep learning. In this session we'll harness the power of play to enhance children's learning in mathematics.	May 21 9am-12pm 3 hrs Great Falls	Charrisse Jennings Intermediate \$21
	KB: Health and Well Being CDA: Advancing children's physical and intellectual development	<u>Moving More</u> Teachers hold the power to encourage movement. Join us as we look at creative ways to include physical activity into your daily classroom environment and routines!	May 21 1-4pm 3 hrs Great Falls	Charrisse Jennings Intermediate \$21
	KB: Program Management CDA: Managing an effective program	<u>Program Management Essentials</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.	May 24 6-9pm 3 hrs Web Based	Deb Huestis Beginning Free

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



<b>J</b>	KB: Observation, Documentation, Assessment CDA: Observing and recording children's behavior	<u>The Art of Lesson Planning: Play, Plan, Learning</u> Have you ever asked yourself: how do I write a lesson plan to show that everything I do is intentional, preplanned, child focused, responsive, developmentally appropriate, and based upon the most current research? If you have, this training is for you! We will break it down and provide tools to ensure your lesson plans contain all they need to provide high quality experiences and build relationships. Participants must attend all three sessions to receive credit.	Apr 25, May 23, Jun 6 6:30-8:30pm 6 hrs Web Based	Deb Huestis Beginning \$35
<b>U</b>	KB: Health and Well Being, Family and Community Partnerships CDA: Planning a healthy and 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. In this training we will learn about the purpose and contractual functions of a child care guardian program in the context of their community emergency preparedness plan. We will learn how family, school or child care, and community plans each have an individual function in ensuring the safety and proper response during any type of emergency situation.	Jun 11 9am-1pm 4 hrs Web Based	Esther Wilson and Charrisse Jennings Intermediate Free
<b>N</b>	KB: Program Management CDA: Managing an effective program	<u>Program Management Essentials</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.	Jun 16 1-4pm 3 hrs Web Based	Charrisse Jennings Beginning Free
<b>E</b>	KB: Curriculum CDA: Advancing children's physical and intellectual development	<u>Exploring Math Through Play</u> When children are immersed in play, they tend to tackle challenges, stick with problem solving, and approach puzzling topics in various ways; which can all lead to deep learning. In this session we'll harness the power of play to enhance children's learning in mathematics.	Jun 28 6-9pm 3 hrs Web Based	Charrisse Jennings Intermediate \$21

### Heart Saver CPR/FA at Family Connections

Tuesday	April 5	9am-noon
Monday	April 11	6-9pm
Thursday	April 14	9am-noon
Saturday	April 23	9am-noon
Saturday	May 14	9am-noon
Tuesday	May 17	9am-noon
Thursday	May 19	9am-noon
Tuesday	May 31	6-9pm
Friday	June 3	6-9pm
Saturday	June 11	9am-noon
Thursday	June 17	9am-noon

### Heart Saver CPR/FA in Lewistown – Held at Small Wonder Childcare

Saturday	April 2	8-11am
Saturday	May 21	8-11am
Saturday	June 25	8-11am

To mitigate the amount of time spent in the classroom, all CPR/FA classes held in the Great Falls office and Lewistown will be conducted in the American Heart Associations blended course model. Students will need to complete the Pediatric First Aid CPR online portion before attending in-person skills sessions, completing the additional Adult CPR/AED modules. Please be advised that this takes between 4-6 hours. A printed copy of the Certificate of 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: <https://elearning.heart.org/course/777>

### Heartsaver Total Pediatric First Aid CPR AED Online

Students will be required to register for a skills class through Family Connections. Please email Deb at [debh@familyconnectionsmt.org](mailto:debh@familyconnectionsmt.org) or call 1-406-317-7926 to register. Online course is \$20.00 and due at the time of enrollment through the American Heart Association website. In-person skills classes are \$25.00 payable to Family Connections and due the day before class to reserve the spot.

## 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](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 your children to trainings without prior approval.