



# NEBRASKA

## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Nebraska Department of Education Office of Early Childhood: Automatically Accepted Early Childhood Education Training Requirements

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#### Automatically Accepted Early Childhood Education (ECE) Training

Automatically Accepted ECE Trainings are high quality trainings delivered by organizations that have been identified or evaluated by the Nebraska Department of Education (NDE), Office of Early Childhood (OEC). These trainings are automatically accepted for annual in-service or pre-service hours for Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, Children's Services Licensing. Automatically Accepted ECE Trainings do not require a unique event ID number assigned by the Nebraska Early Childhood Professional Record System.

#### Automatically Accepted Training Organizations

The Nebraska Department of Education, Office of Early Childhood Training Center will accept early childhood and out-of-school time related training from:

1. Accredited Colleges and Universities;
2. Federal and Nebraska State Agencies when specific to early childhood care and education; and
3. Identified or evaluated organizations **(that receive federal funding)**

| Type of Training Organization               | Automatically Accepted ECE Training<br><i>This list is not exhaustive</i>  |
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| <b>Accredited Colleges and Universities</b> | <p>Credit-bearing college courses, taken from accredited colleges and universities both in state and out-of-state in which the content is <b>80% or more</b> focused on early childhood education and/or child development. A passing grade must be received in order to receive credit.</p> <p>NDE OEC will also accept University Extensions, certificated Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) and programs of Colleges and Universities if the material is designed for or specific to the early childhood or school-age workforce.</p> <p>Samples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• University of Nebraska</li> <li>• The University of Nebraska Extension -The Learning Child</li> <li>• UNMC Munroe Meyer Institute</li> <li>• Better Kid Care (Penn State Extension)</li> <li>• COURSERA</li> </ul> |

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| <p><b>Federal and Nebraska State Agencies</b></p>   | <p>Federal and state agencies, military branches, and state agencies if the material is designed for or specific to the early childhood or out-of-school-time workforce.</p> <p>Samples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nebraska Department of Education</li> <li>• Nebraska Early Development Network</li> <li>• Safe Kids Nebraska</li> <li>• Nebraska Forest Service</li> </ul>   |
| <p><b>Identified or evaluated organizations and National Workforce Registry Alliance Training recognized organizations (NWRA)</b></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Identified organizations</b> have been determined by NDE OEC as: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Having a reputable website presence <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Links of interest point to other reputable organizations</li> <li>b. Posted articles provide research-based references</li> <li>c. Site's mission statement is not commercial (selling products or services)</li> <li>d. Site content is current (updated in the last five years) and content authors are identified</li> <li>e. Contact information is easily identifiable</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Having a continuous research presence</li> <li>3. Outreach effort/presence</li> <li>4. Having a Board of Directors/Governance Board/Advisory Board</li> <li>5. Other reputable, national organizations refer to the identified organization</li> <li>6. Having a non-profit/Foundation/Institute Status</li> <li>7. Receive Federal funding</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Evaluated Organizations</b>, have completed the Automatically Accepted ECE Training Organization Application and have been approved by the NDE OEC.</li> <li>• <b>NWRA Training List:</b><br/> <a href="https://www.registryalliance.org/documents/alliance-resources/274-links-to-recognized-training-organizations-1">https://www.registryalliance.org/documents/alliance-resources/274-links-to-recognized-training-organizations-1</a> </li> </ul> <p>Samples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child Care Aware</li> <li>• Nature Explore</li> <li>• Read Right From the Start</li> <li>• Zero to Three</li> </ul> |

The following events will not be accepted as Automatically Accepted Training:

- Staff meetings
- On-site Staff Only Trainings
- New Hire Employee Trainings
- Policy and procedures for an individual organization/program

Only DHHS licensing staff may conduct training(s) on state Licensing regulation.

An Automatically Accepted ECE Training Organization **MUST** provide training certificates that clearly contain the following:

- NDE-Office of Early Childhood Automatically Accepted In-Service Hours;
- Title of the training
- Attendee's name (No blank certificates may be handed out)
- Date the training was completed
- Name of trainer (with signature or initial)
- Total number of hours (a minimum of 1 hours)
- The name and logo of the training organization

**Certificate of Training**  
Awarded to

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Participant)

*has completed*

Title of Training:  
Trainer/Facilitator:  
Date of Training:  
In-Service Hours:

**Brief Description of Training:**

Training Objectives:  
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Early Childhood Core Competency Area  
List one

School Age Core Competency Area (If applicable)  
List one

This training is most likely to address:  
 CDA Subject Area  
 CDA Subject Area

Sponsoring Agency  
Organizations  
LOGO

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(Signature of Sponsor or Trainer/Facilitator)

*Printed Name of Sponsor or Trainer/Facilitator*

Approved NDE-Office of Early Childhood Automatically Accepted ECE In-Service Hours