



A Learning Program for **A learning program for direct service staff and supervisors working in Child Protection, Prevention and Foster Care services.**

ABOUT

This learning program improves direct service workers' ability to support protected environments for children and adolescents in foster care settings, who are vulnerable and at increased risk of sexual abuse. Learners will be better able to describe healthy sexual development and behaviors and identify warning signs of child sexual abuse. Using motivational interviewing techniques and a trauma-informed approach, direct service staff will be able to promote healing for children and caregivers. Before attending this instructor-led training, learners must complete all course prerequisites listed below and an online pre-test.

BENEFITS

Learners will:

- Be able to support protected environments for children at risk of sexual abuse.
- Refresh their skills in recognizing the warning signs of child sexual abuse.
- Learn to communicate with families about boundaries to reinforce protection and mitigate vulnerability of children to sexual abuse.

COMPONENTS

Once enrolled in the course, learners will complete:



An online pre-test.



A two-day, instructor-led workshop.



An online post-test.



Completion of all components is necessary to receive a Certificate of Completion.

PREREQUISITES

Prior to attending this course, learners are required to have completed the Motivational Interviewing learning program offered through the ACS Workforce Institute or equivalent.

CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS

The New York City Administration for Children's Services is recognized by the New York State Education Department's State Board for Social Work as an approved provider of continuing education for licensed social workers #SW-0402. This course is 13 contact hours/1.3 CEUs. CEU credit is contingent upon completion of all course components.

REGISTRATION

To register and for more information about this course, email Marta Colon at Marta.Colon@acs.nyc.gov. For more information about the ACS Workforce Institute, please contact the Help Desk at WIhelpdesk@acs.nyc.gov or call (212) 748-1898.

ABOUT ACS WORKFORCE INSTITUTE

The ACS Workforce Institute (WI) is a state-of-the-art professional development institute that supports child welfare and juvenile justice direct service staff and strengthens their skills as they support and strengthen New York City's families and children. Through partnership with the City University of New York (School of Professional Studies and the Hunter College Silberman School of Social Work), the ACS Workforce Institute offers professional learning initiatives that move beyond the classroom to enhance skill development for new and seasoned ACS and provider agency staff.

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