

**Paul V. Sherlock Center on Disabilities**  
**INTRODUCTION TO EARLY INTERVENTION**

**Tuesday, September 22 and Wednesday, September 23 and  
Tuesday, October 20 and Wednesday, October 21, 2009  
8:30 am – 4:00 pm**

**Registration for this four day training is available online only.**

**Purpose:** This introductory training covers topics critical to understanding the Early Intervention community in Rhode Island, including the values embedded in the EI system and the federal and state laws which serve as the foundation for EI services. The training addresses core competencies related to the components of the EI system, including an understanding of:

- ✓ The purpose of EI as defined in Part C of IDEA and the structure of Rhode Island's Early Intervention system.
- ✓ The key components of family-centered practice.
- ✓ The impact of culture on the relationship between professionals and families and on the delivery of appropriate EI supports and services.
- ✓ Issues, challenges, requirements and recommended practices in the evaluation and assessment of infants and toddlers.
- ✓ What are Early Intervention's Child and Family Outcomes and what is its purpose.
- ✓ How to measure child and family outcomes and record the information gathered.
- ✓ The required components of a quality IFSP, including the development of outcomes that are family-owned, functional and measurable.
- ✓ The elements of a quality service delivery model which supports a family's capacity to enhance their child's development.
- ✓ The Rhode Island Transition process and the EI service provider's role in this process.

**Format:** The training includes lecture, group discussion, small group workshops, readings and activities. **Attendance at all four days is required.**

**Location:** All sessions will be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Greenwich Farms Assisted Living Center in Warwick. Directions will be sent to participants with the pre-training materials packet.

**Audience:** This training is geared for all newly employed EI personnel.

**Registration:** Register by **September 4**. Registration is available online only. To access the registration form, click the link below or copy and paste the link into your web browser:  
<http://sherlockcenter.IntroductiontoEIFall09.sgizmo.com>  
Packets containing pre-training reading and materials will be emailed to you to be completed before the training begins. There is no fee to attend.

**Professional Development:** Introduction to Early Intervention is pre-approved for professional development credit for certified educators by the RI Department of Education. This training is also pre-approved for 3.0 Continuing Education Units (CEUs) through RI College. A \$10 fee, payable to RI College, will apply for CEUs. Details regarding both types of credit will be provided at the first session.

**Questions:** For further information contact Elaine Sollecito, Sherlock Center, (401) 456-2764 or email [esollecito@ric.edu](mailto:esollecito@ric.edu).



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