

Provider Training on Developmental Screening Tools
Sponsored by the Minnesota Departments of Education, Health and Human Services

Registration is now open for the Early Screening Inventory-Revised (ESI-R) and Ages and Stages Questionnaire-Social/Emotional (ASQ-SE) trainings.

Please go to www.eventville.com/MDE and click on a training located in your preferred region. You must register for each of these trainings; if you want to attend both the ESI-R and ASQ-SE trainings you must register for each.

The 2007-08 training series on the Early Screening Inventory-Revised and Ages and Stages Questionnaire-Social/Emotional begins soon.

Dates and Sites for the trainings are:

Wednesday, November 28 in Roseville
Wednesday, February 20 in St. Cloud
Friday, February 22 in Rochester
Wednesday, March 19 in Proctor
Tuesday, April 8 in Albert Lea
Wednesday, April 16 in Bemidji

ESI-R training takes place at each site from 8:30-11:30 AM and ASQ-SE training takes place at each site from 1:00-4:00 PM (except the St. Cloud site which takes place from 12:30-3:30 PM.) These trainings are sponsored by the Minnesota Departments of Education, Health and Human Services. The fee is \$20 for each half day training (\$40 for the full day, lunch on your own).

Why are these trainings being offered for Early Childhood Screening?

Early Childhood Screening is performed to identify possible health and developmental problems in children at least a full year before they begin kindergarten in order to help them achieve their maximum potential and learning in school. Minnesota Rules requires Early Childhood Screening programs to use a parent report of a child's development and direct observation of the child's development through MDE approved standardized instruments. The ESI-R meets the requirements for a standardized, observational instrument for MDE. The ASQ-SE is approved for use in Minnesota Early Childhood Screening programs to accurately identify potential social/emotional problems in children.

What is the Early Screening Inventory-Revised (ESI-R)?

The ESI-R is a standardized screening instrument designed for use with children three through six years of age. The 25 items on the ESI-R can be grouped into three major areas: visual motor/adaptive; language and cognition, and gross motor/body awareness.

What is the Ages and Stages Questionnaire-Social Emotional (ASQ-SE)?

The ASQ-SE is a social-emotional screening instrument for use with children from 6 months through five years of age. The areas on the ASQ-SE include: self-regulation, compliance, communication, adaptive functioning, autonomy, affect, and interaction with people.

What does this training include?

Each half-day training includes background and practice with ESI-R or ASQ-SE materials and score sheets so that participants will be able to implement the instruments as part of an Early Childhood Screening.

Additional background materials about Early Childhood Screening will be provided. The training is conducted by trainers who have been certified to facilitate trainings and have many years experience in early assessment.

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