Communication Challenges with Special Populations of Children

A S.C. Children’s Justice Act Task Force training initiative

Who should attend: Professionals who have contact with children who have or potentially have been abused or neglected, including but not limited to law enforcement officers, DSS staff, CAC staff, prosecutors, juvenile justice professionals, education staff, and mental health professionals.

Overview: This 2-part webinar series is a multidisciplinary training designed for professionals who may have contact with potentially abused or neglected children with communication barriers. This includes children with autism, speech impairments, intellectual disabilities, visual impairments or blindness, and trauma-induced communication barriers; and children who are deaf or hard of hearing. The training will provide participants with a basic overview of these disabilities and barriers, communication challenges that may be encountered, and strategies to effectively communicate with these children. Presenters include staff from Family Connections S.C., S.C. Department of Education, S.C. Department of Health and Human Services, S.C. School for the Deaf and the Blind, and Impact Clinical Consulting, LLC. Participants will also receive contact list of resource professionals in South Carolina who are available for consultation if needed.

This webinar is offered in two parts, and participants may register for one or both. Participants wishing to attend both parts must register for each part separately.

Dates:

October 16, 2020 Part I: Children with Autism, Speech Impairments, and Intellectual Disabilities

October 23, 2020 Part II: Children with a Visual Impairment or Blindness, Children Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing, and Children with Trauma-induced Communication Barriers

Course Times: 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Fee: There is no charge for this training.

Continuing Education Credits: 2 hours of continuing education credit for Law Enforcement and Victim Service Providers are expected for each part (4 hours total for entire course).

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To register: Go to the Children’s Law Center registration system at http://sc.edu/clc/registration.