Childcare Training and Accreditation Solutions (CTAS) is thrilled to be providing inspiring professional development for the Education and Care Industry.

Some of our sessions are back by popular demand and some are brand new and exciting. We also have some wonderful guest facilitators this year, so there is sure to be something for everyone.

Why is Professional Development Important?

♦ Up to date professional development helps educators stay fresh and excited about their profession and it can give new ideas and inspiration.
♦ We can never say “I now know everything possible about the best ways children learn, so I don’t need to learn anything else.” Most of us don’t have the time to read all of the new articles and research that comes out, so professional development can bring all of that new research together in an easy to understand, relevant 2 hour package.
♦ External training gives an opportunity to network with other educators and share stories and ideas.
♦ Training helps educators stay current and up-to-date with standards, requirements and “best practice”.
♦ The National Quality Standards talk about “ongoing learning” for educators and educators “developing their professional knowledge and skills”, this can be demonstrated by centres showing a commitment to professional development.

Registration Guidelines

• Please use the 2016 CTAS booking form.
• Bookings must be made at least 14 days prior to workshop date.
• Payments must be made at least 7 days prior to workshop date. If payment is not made in time the booking space will be re-allocated
• Making payment by the due date is the responsibility of the centre/participant and unpaid invoices risk reallocation of their place.
• All sessions are $30 per person unless stated otherwise.
• No credits will be issued for cancellations within 24hrs of the workshop.
• Registration will commence from 6:15pm and training starts at 6.30pm sharp on the evening of each workshop unless stated otherwise.
• There is a minimum of 10 people per session and a maximum of 25 people, so RSVP to book into workshops as soon as possible.
• Waiting lists will be developed for popular sessions and participants will be contacted if a space becomes available.
• Facilitators for the session are subject to change without notice.
• In consideration of our participants’ learning, children will not be permitted entry to any CTAS workshops.
• All workshop attendance certificates will be emailed in PDF format to the participants center unless requested otherwise

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Supportive Natural Environments

Nature is a fantastic resource for educators and children, how can we include natural elements indoors and outdoors in a meaningful way? Learn the benefits of nature based play for children and gain some practical ideas and applications.

Child Protection

In this session we will cover types of child abuse, indicators, protective strategies and reporting procedures. Participants should be aware that the session content is sensitive and may be confronting, however, it is extremely important that early childhood educators have the skills and knowledge to deal with child protection issues should they arise.

Embracing Cultures in the Community

In this workshop we will discuss why diversity is an important concept in early childhood and look at communicating across cultures to find ways of understanding and honouring differences. We will explore ways to build relationship with the community around you and involve them in your service.

Supporting Children’s Behaviour

This session will explore the possible causes for children’s challenging behaviour. Provide some practical ideas for preventing behaviour issues and a variety of strategies to use in guiding children’s behaviours. It will also assist in developing a Behaviour Guidance Plan.

Aboriginal Cultural Awareness

Guest Facilitator Dale Tilbrook:
Need more information about local Aboriginal culture? Dale is an Aboriginal woman who has delivered education programmes on history and culture. Explore a timeline of Aboriginal history, take a look at family structures and discuss strategies for supporting and engaging Aboriginal families in a childcare setting. Bring along your questions and ask them in a safe learning environment.

Managing Stress and Using Mindfulness

Work-place related stress can affect your physical and emotional health. We will look at what can cause stress, the symptoms, and how your stress may impact on the children in your care. We will explore the use of a variety of strategies, including mindfulness to manage and decrease your work-place stress. We will also learn some techniques to support children who are stressed.

Team Building

This session explores team collaboration and how to recognise each other’s roles and communicate effectively. It delves into opportunities for team building and strategies for creating a supportive team. It will cover a brief overview of conflict resolution.

Play and Literacy

How can we use play to support literacy development in the early years, 0-5 years? This workshop looks at how play and literacy are related, how you can setup your environment to encourage children’s literacy, and what your role is, as an educator, in supporting children’s literacy development.

Creativity

This fun and hands-on workshop looks at understanding the importance of creative thinking and how to encourage it in children, exploring open-ended play to encourage creative thinking, discovering the difference between art and craft, and investigating practical ways of enhancing creativity in child and adult instigated ways.

Developing Community Partnerships

Children learn and develop within the context of their family and the community around them, so how can services create a partnership with the community around them? This session will delve into building on your current family relationships, looking at what your environment says about collaborative partnerships, and some strategies and ideas to encourage families and the local community to be involved in your centre.

Drama Dance and Music

Do you enjoy doing role-playing, dancing and music with the children in your room, or does it make you nervous? This session looks at the importance of drama, dance and music in the early years, and how to embed these into your planning and curriculum, everyday play, and environment set-up. So whether you are just starting out, or need some new ideas, this workshop is for you!
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Professional Development Webinars

*Educational, interactive and flexible learning experiences delivered direct to your computer!*

A webinar is a seminar or training session broadcasted over the internet to a PC, laptop, tablet or smart phone. Webinars are a great way to reach participants who may not be able to access professional development training otherwise. All you need is a computer or other device with speakers/earphones, a valid email address and a quiet place to enjoy your session.

**Webinar Registration Guidelines**

- Registrations must be made 14 days prior to the session.
- To register for CTAS webinars click on the link found on page 3 of this calendar under the Session Information section, or alternatively you can email pdtraining@ctas.wa.edu.au for the registration link.
- Complete the registration information on the clickWebinar website.
- Once registration is complete, an email with your personalised URL will be sent to your nominated email address. It is extremely important to save this link so you can access the webinar.
- An email will be sent to the nominated email address with the invoice for payment. Payments are to be made 7 days prior to the session date.
- All cancellations are to be emailed to pdtraining@ctas.wa.edu.au
- No credits will be issued for cancellations within 24hrs of the workshop.
- The session password will be emailed to the nominated email address on the Friday prior to the session.
- There is a minimum of 10 participants required per session.
- It’s important to be ready for the session so we ask all participants to log in 15minutes prior to the start time to ensure they are ready for the session to start on time.
- Sessions run for approximately 90minutes.

We would love your feedback on topics that you would like to be delivered via webinar, please do so by emailing pdtraining@ctas.wa.edu.au. Do not hesitate to contact the CTAS team for further information or assistance on CTAS webinars.

Did you know?

CTAS also provide traineeships in CHC30113 Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care, CHC40113 Certificate IV in School Aged Education and Care and CHC50113 Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care.

The CTAS trainers are a team of passionate, committed and highly experienced childcare professionals. We are dedicated to delivering a high standard of training to the early childhood sector.

Call us today on (08) 9350 9222 and we would be happy to organise a consultation at your center to discuss your specific needs.

In-service Workshops

A great way to show your staff that you value and appreciate the hard work that they do each day is to invest in their ongoing education! Educators who regularly attend professional development training become more confident, passionate and effective team members. We know that after a hard days work it can be difficult to encourage participants to travel for PD and that is why CTAS offer in-service workshops. A CTAS trainer will travel to your service and deliver a workshop of your choice. In-services also allow you the opportunity to choose specific topics that suit your services needs and provides the opportunity to give you a personalised training session. CTAS workshops are developed to inspire participants, enhance their knowledge and skill base and to keep services up to date with standards, requirements and “best practice”.

To book an in-service session we ask for a minimum 3 weeks notice and session dates and times are dependent on trainer availability. For further information contact Gabrielle on 9350 9222 or pdtraining@ctas.wa.edu.au

**In-service for your service only 10-20 participants**

- $400 base for up to 10 people
- $35 per additional person
- + Travel fee

**In-service for your service only 20+ participants**

- $725 base for up to 10 people
- $35 per additional person
- + Travel fee

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