

Deafblindness and Intervener Awareness Training



Interveners are specially trained paraprofessionals who work one-on-one with students with deafblindness/dual sensory loss. Interveners help schools meet the challenge of providing students with deafblindness the access to information they are unable to gather via vision or hearing. An intervener works one-on-one with a student, facilitating communication and supporting concept development.

If you are an educator of a student with deafblindness and you are interested in learning more about deafblindness and the role of an intervener, Missouri Deaf-Blind Technical Assistance Project (MoDBTAP) offers a distance learning and coaching opportunity. This training includes four lessons broken into two coachings, one per month:

Month 1, Deafblindness Awareness:

Lesson 1 – An Overview of Deaf-Blindness and Instructional Strategies

Lesson 2 – The Sensory System, the Brain, and Learning

Month 2, Intervener Awareness:

Lesson 3 – The Role of Interveners in the Educational Setting

Lesson 4 – Intervener Strategies

(All lessons from Open Hands, Open Access Modules)

A \$200 stipend for successful completion of this training is available for professionals currently working with a student registered with the MoDBTAP Student Census. To apply, fill out the registration form on the back and return the application and the parental consent form to Mandy Clayton.

Contact:

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REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

School District Information:

School/Program Name:

School/Program Address:

Daytime phone number: _____ Fax: _____

School Contact Email: _____

Name and age of student with deafblindness served:

Is this student reported on the Federal Deafblind Census through the Missouri Deaf-Blind Technical Assistance Project? YES NO

If "NO" or if you are unsure, please contact Mandy Clayton,

Mandy.Clayton@msb.dese.mo.gov or (314) 633-1553

Administrator's approval signature and date: _____

Signature of participant and date: _____

Return, with Parental Consent Form, to:

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