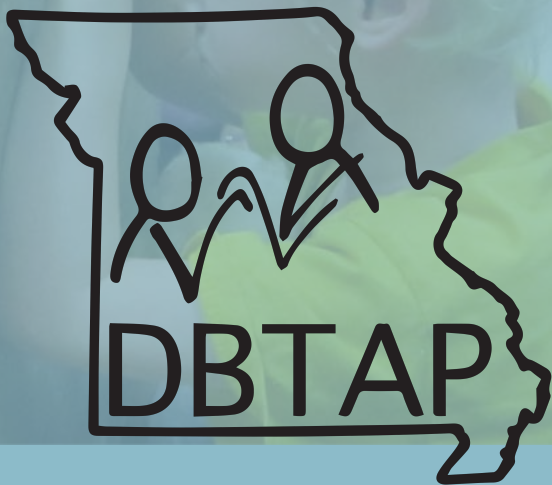


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Available Modules

The training includes:

- Videos, slideshows, short readings, and application to individual student(s)
- Coaching for the paraprofessional by Missouri DeafBlind Project (MoDBTAP) staff professional after each of the modules
- Action planning and progress feedback
- Stipend provided to the paraprofessional after completion of each module
- To support paraprofessionals that go through OHOA, they are offered \$100 per module completion and \$50 for each coaching session (they must attend the coaching session to be compensated for the modules).

Module 1: An Overview of Deaf-Blindness and Instructional Strategies

Module 2: The Sensory System, The Brain, and Learning

Module 3: The Role of the Intervener in Educational Settings

Module 4: Building Trusted Relationships

Module 5: Availability for Learning

Module 6: Understanding Communication Principles

Module 7: Emergent Communication

Module 8: Non-Symbolic to Symbolic Communication

Module 9: Routines

Module 10: Concept Development and Active Learning

Module 11: Intervener Strategies

Module 12: Maximizing Vision and Hearing

Module 13: Calendars

Module 14: Introduction to Orientation and Mobility for Interveners

Module 15: Orientation and Mobility in Everyday Routines

Module 16: Self-Determination

Module 17: Social Skills

Module 18: Collaborative Teaming and Family Partnerships

Module 19: Accessing the Curriculum and Environment

Module 20: Values, Ethics, & Professionalism

Module 21: Sexuality

Module 22: Introduction to Sign Language and Braille

Module 23: Behavioral and Environmental Supports

Module 24: Transition to Adulthood and Community Living

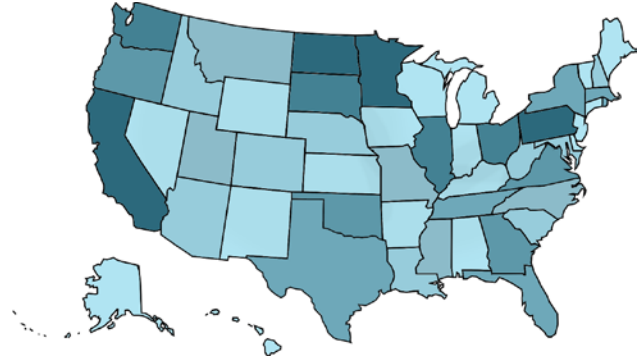
Module 25: Touch for Connecting and Learning

Module 26: Touch for Connection and Communication

Module 27: Putting it all together

What is OHOA?

The Open Hands Open Access (OHOA) DeafBlind Intervener Learning Modules are a national resource designed to increase awareness, knowledge, and skills related to intervention for students who are deafblind and are being served in educational settings (ages 3 through 21). OHOA participants come from all 50 U.S. states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and more than 50 other countries and territories around the world.



Module content was created by a diverse group of experts in the field of deaf-blindness, including state and national deaf-blind project staff, parents of children who are deafblind, higher education faculty, teachers,

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users and growing everyday

educational interpreters, and interveners. Each

module includes a variety of accessible videos,

photographs, slide presentations, and learning

activities. The development of these modules has

been guided by an advisory committee and

reviewed by field test participants, in addition to a variety

of experts in deaf-blindness, the process of intervention, and learning design.

I'm not an intervener, is OHOA right for me?

YES! OHOA is not just for aspiring interveners! OHOA is an excellent resource for administrators, parents, teachers, interpreters, paraprofessionals and other members of the educational team.

Where can I learn more about the modules?

Contact your Missouri DeafBlind Project!

<https://msb.dese.mo.gov/outreach-services/assistance-project>

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“[P]articipants have been **thoroughly engaged** and very eager and appreciative to have the opportunity for this unique professional development.”

“I [o]ve the video clips embedded in the slide shows.”

“They all want more and will continue next school year.”

“[The] activities helped me to better understand deaf blindness”

“People have loved the content and quality. Comments have been made from teachers and family members about the information being

life-changing.”