

Foundations for Professionals

A workshop for professionals working with children who are deaf and hard of hearing

This year BC Family Hearing Resource Centre (BCFHRC) is excited to invite you to Foundations for Professionals, a community workshop to support the needs of professionals working with our families across British Columbia. If you are one of the following, this workshop may be for you!: Speech-Language Pathologist (SLP), Occupational Therapist (OT), Physio Therapist (PT), Infant Development Program Consultant (IDP), Supported Child Development (SCD), Early Childhood Educator (ECE), daycare or preschool teacher, etc.. Please note this workshop is open to professionals who are currently working with a child who is deaf or hard of hearing aged 0 to 5 years receiving services from BCFHRC.

The Foundations for Professionals workshop, created by BCFHRC, is designed to strengthen professionals' knowledge on children's hearing/deafness and how it relates to their development. Research shows that children who are deaf or hard of hearing are at risk for social, emotional and academic difficulties. The Foundations for Professionals workshop aims to equip professionals with the knowledge and strategies to support development and learning in these areas.

Foundations for Professionals also provides an opportunity to ask questions and engage in discussion with other professionals in your community who may also have experience in working with a child who is deaf or hard of hearing. Connecting with professionals is a valuable way to gain knowledge and share ideas.

Foundations for Professionals workshop will be covering a wide range of topics relating to hearing/deafness, including:

- Types of hearing loss
- Creating optimal learning environments
- Equipment options and strategies to keep them on
- Communication strategies
- Different ways to communicate



Foundations for Professionals is a fun and interactive hands-on workshop. You will have the opportunity to:

- Experience what it might be like to be deaf or hard of hearing during classroom activities
- Experience listening through different hearing equipment
- Adapting activities and rooms to create better learning environments
- Make and share resource

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Workshop location and date:

Location	Workshop Dates	Registration Deadlines	Facilitators' contact
Vancouver, BC Family Hearing Resource Centre (#262- 3665 Kingsway, Vancouver, BC, V5R 5W2)	October 5 th , 2019 (9:00-3:30pm)	Sept 20 th , 2019 12 spots available	Valerie Marshall vmarshall@bcfamilyhearing.com , Stefanie Macaro smacaro@bcfamilyhearing.com
Surrey, BC Family Hearing Resource Centre (15220 – 92nd Ave., Surrey, BC, V3R 2T8)	March 12 th , 2020 (9:00-3:30pm)	February 27 th , 2020 20 spots available	Valerie Marshall vmarshall@bcfamilyhearing.com , Stefanie Macaro smacaro@bcfamilyhearing.com
Victoria, Location TBD	March 26 th , 2020 (9:00-3:30pm)	March 12 th , 2020 25 spots available	Valerie Marshall vmarshall@bcfamilyhearing.com , Amanda Lemay alemay@bcfamilyhearing.com
East Kootenays, Location TBD	May 9, 2020 (9:00-3:30pm)	April 24 th , 2020	Valerie Marshall vmarshall@bcfamilyhearing.com Stefanie Macaro smacaro@bcfamilyhearing.com

Pre-registration is required (this is not a drop-in workshop). A minimum of three professionals must be registered to run the workshop. Please register online at: <https://goo.gl/gRW7ym>. Participation in this workshop is free of charge for professionals currently working with a child receiving services from BCFHRC. The cost of the workshop for professionals not working with a child receiving services from BCFHRC will be \$500.

Certificates of participation toward Continued Education hours will be provided. Light snacks & beverages will be provided, please bring your own lunch.

If you have any questions or want more information, please contact the facilitators for the workshop. We look forward to working with you.

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