

Foundations for Professionals

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

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: daycare or preschool teacher, Early Childhood Educator (ECE), Infant Development Program Consultant (IDP), Occupational Therapist (OT), Physical Therapist (PT), Speech-Language Pathologist (SLP), Supported Child Development (SCD), Behavioural Interventionist (BI), 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 and receiving services from BCFHRC.

The Foundations for Professionals workshop, created by BCFHRC, is designed to strengthen professionals' understanding of how a child's hearing/deafness can impact 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 other professionals is a valuable way to gain knowledge and share ideas.

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

- Types of hearing loss/deafness
- 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 workshop. You will have the opportunity to:

- Listen to simulations to get a better understanding of the deaf or hard of hearing experience during classroom activities
- Discuss listening through different hearing equipment
- Adapt activities and rooms to create better learning environments
- Collect resources

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Online Workshop Details:

Dates: Friday September 23rd, 2022

Time: 9am-3:30pm, with a lunch break

Registration link: <https://goo.gl/gRW7ym>.

Registration closes: September 9th, 2022

This workshop will be provided online. Pre-registration is required (this is not a drop-in workshop). Be sure to register early as we only have 30 spots available! 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 \$150.

This workshop will not be recorded and has been designed for active online participation from attendees. Certificates of participation toward Continued Education hours will be provided.

If you have any questions or want more information, please contact info@bcfamilyhearing.com. An email will be sent out with the access link and further details the week of the workshop. We look forward to working with you!

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