

Head Start's home for professional learning





NHSA's Vision

To Lead

To be the untiring voice that will not be quiet until every vulnerable child is served with the Head Start model of support for the whole child, the family, and the community.

To Advocate

To work diligently for policy changes that ensure all vulnerable children and families have what they need to succeed.



NHSA's Mission

To coalesce, inspire, and support the Head Start field as a leader in early childhood development and education.

We are compelled to fulfill this mission by the promise of all possible outcomes:

- One powerful, united Head Start voice
- A collegial, collaborative Head Start field
- Nonpartisan support of an increased federal commitment to Head Start
- Healthier, empowered children and families, and stronger, more vibrant communities



Agenda

- Academy at NHSA
- Health Services PD
- Health Services Instructor
- Health Services Essentials
 - Graduate
- Health Services Certification
 - Graduate
- Q&A

Practical skills, meaningful change.

Learn from the leaders in early childhood development and education.

Wherever you want to go next, The Academy can get you there. Learn in-demand skills with our on-demand, self-paced and live, online programs. Each is uniquely designed to be relevant to your career—what you learn today can be immediately applied tomorrow.







Who is in the room?

- Please respond to the poll prompts and chat questions.
- Feel free to ask questions in the chat throughout the presentation.



Stackable Learning

	Basic	Essential	Credential & Certification				
Overview	Designed to support staff of all levels by introducing	Designed to support staff in particular areas by diving deeper into	Designed to support experienced staff in particular areas by allowing the opportunity to demonstrate mastery of skills				
	foundational information	specialized content	Instruction-Based Model: Model:				
Includes	 ✓ Online modules ✓ Self-paced coursework 	 ✓ Live instruction ✓ Online modules ✓ Self-paced coursework ✓ Cohort of peers 	 ✓ Live instruction ✓ Online modules ✓ Online modules ✓ Final graded portfolio ✓ Self-paced coursework ✓ Cohort of peers 				
Difficulty	Beginner	Intermediate	Advanced				
Length	1 to 4 hours	4 to 8 weeks	8 to 12 weeks				





*70 courses by Spring 2024

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Micro Basic	Basic	Essential	Credential	Certification
HS Orientation	Head Start Bias Busters Fiscal Policy Council Data Gardening with Kids Financial Wellness	Data Bias Busters Fiscal Effective Transitions Music and Move. Financial Wellness Health Services Trust First	Data Literacy New Director Site Leader CDA IT CDA PK Fundraising Head Start Manager	Health Services Family Worker Fiscal Services
Coming soon CDA Modules (6) HS History Passenger Restraint Health Policies Bloodborne Path. IDEA/ADA Child Abuse Active Supervision Parent and Family	Coming soon Special Education Social/Emotional Nutrition Advocacy Family Engagement Financial Wellness EHS	Coming soon Social/Emotional Fam Engagement Special Education	Coming soon CDA FCC CDA HV ELC	Coming soon DEI





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The Academy at NHSA is home to expert faculty, all of whom are practicing teachers, coaches, curriculum directors, or educational leaders. And The Academy's schedule is tailored to allow learners to further their careers while balancing work, family, and other responsibilities. Join this network of practitioners who are committed to supporting your success— throughout the program and beyond.



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Early Childhood Health Services Basics

A one-hour orientation training for all program staff that provides a solid understanding of how staff can support the overall wellbeing of children and their families.



Health Services Essentials

A five-hour course for health service staff that covers the Head Start Program Performance Standards' health requirements in-depth.



Health Services Certificate

Candidates demonstrate their skills and competency by completing a portfolio detailing the knowledge and abilities needed to fulfill health services objectives in Head Start.



NEW MEMBER BENEFIT

NHSA Digital Portfolio

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Meet our Speakers!



Jackie Rivera Academy Instructor/Reviewer HS Health Administrator



Rene Guernsey Academy Graduate HS Health Assistant



Adriene Etheridge-Holden Academy Graduate HS Health Manager



Health Essentials





- 3 modules and 9 lessons
- Monthly cohorts
- Virtual meetings
- Online content
- The Health Services Essentials course is designed to support health staff in developing the fundamental knowledge they need to meet the expectations of the Head Start Program Performance Standards (HSPPS), and support children and families on their path to a healthy future.



Health Certification







- 4 months to complete
- Monthly virtual meetings
- Online support/coaching
- To earn this certification, candidates will be required to complete a portfolio demonstrating their understanding of twelve essential competencies. For each competency, candidates will be asked to provide written responses that detail the knowledge, skills, and abilities needed to fulfill health services objectives in Head Start.





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