

July						
Date	Time	Location Face to Face Trainings Noted in Purple	Title	Trainer	Fee	Registration Deadline
Wednesday, July 10, 2024	6:00 pm- 8:00 pm	DeKalb County Farm Bureau, Sycamore	Let's Get Growing	Rhodora Collins, DeKalb County Farm Bureau	Fee: Non 4-C Members: \$10, 4-C Members: Free	Monday, July 1, 2024
Wednesday, July 31, 2024	6:00 pm- 8:00 pm	Online Webinar	Hey, Why is That Lady in a Wheelchair?: Disability Awareness for Young Children	Ann Wilson, 4-C Training & Technical Assistance Coordinator	Fee: Non 4-C Members: \$10, 4-C Members: Free	Wednesday, July 24, 2024

August (Early Deadline)							
Date	Time	Location Face to Face Trainings Noted in Purple		Title	Trainer	Fee	Registration Deadline
Saturday, August 10, 2024	8:30 am- 12:30 pm	McHenry County Mental Health Board, Crystal Lake		An Introduction to the Environmental Rating Scales	Barb Christmas, 4-C Quality Specialist	Fee: \$10 non- refundable and non-transferrable fee required to register	Friday, July 19, 2024

## An Introduction to the Environmental Rating Scales (including the ECERS-3)

This training is for center-based programs and family child care providers and offers an overview of the Environment Rating Scales. The Environment Rating Scales are user-friendly assessment tools that measure the quality of the learning environment for infants through schoolage children. After completing this training, participants will be able to use the tool(s) for program self-assessment and improvement planning. Space is limited and registration priority will be done in conjunction with the Quality Specialist; Priority is given to homes/centers actively involved in the ExceleRate process and needing to meet their requirement of 50% staff trained in ERS.

Audience: All Providers Participating in ExceleRate

**Level of Learning: Intermediate** 

## Hey, Why is that Lady in a Wheelchair?: Disability Awareness for Young Children

Young children are naturally curious...they're supposed to be. We want them to be and that's how they learn. So how do we nurture that curiosity in situations where they encounter something or someone new and different from them? Participants will discuss and explore new ways to "normalize" disabilities, so curiosity becomes natural interaction. We will examine ways to build this into the everyday environment and discuss the value, or invalue, or simulating disabilities (for example, pretending to be blind to see how that "might feel"). Finally, participants will take an introspective look at their own views and experiences to examine how this may impact integration of this topic in their classroom.

**Audience: All Providers** 

**Level of Learning: Introductory** 

## **Let's Get Growing**

Some are as tiny as the head of a pin, some are just the right size to throw, and others are as big as a baby's head! We eat them, we bury them, and we couldn't survive without them. This training will introduce age-appropriate activities and resources you can use to engage children in the fascinating study of seeds! Participants will collect child-friendly, seed-centered activities like sorting, calculating, comparing, counting, dissecting, planting, tasting, throwing, and more. Each attendee will receive a set of seed samples and a ready-to-use activity! Come for refreshments and door prizes, stay for the great ideas!

**Audience: All Providers** 

**Level of Learning: Introductory** 



## **CPR/First Aid Trainings**



Training fee is waived for providers caring for families in Carroll, DeKalb, Lee, McHenry, Ogle, or Whiteside counties. Reimbursement is available for providers taking CPR/First Aid outside of 4-C. See guidelines on the training calendar page of our website.

To register, providers are required to have a current 4-C membership.

All CPR/First Aid Trainings offered by 4-C qualify for both CCAP Health and Safety Training Hours and CCAP Health and Safety Orientation

Date	Location	Time	Trainer	Registration Deadline
Tuesday, July 16, 2024	Northern Illinois University Child Development and Family Center 220 Annie Glidden Rd, DeKalb	6:00 pm-9:00 pm	Amy Lofthouse, Associate Director, NIU Child Development & Family Center	Tuesday, July 9, 2024
Saturday, July 20, 2024	Loveland Community House 513 W 2 <sup>nd</sup> St, Dixon	8:30 am-12:30 pm	Maria Lombardo, Director, Kishwaukee College Early Learning Center	Monday, July 15, 2024
Saturday, July 27, 2024	McHenry County Mental Health Board 620 Dakota St, Crystal Lake	8:30 am-12:30 pm	Annie Johnson, Assistant Director, The Growing Place	Monday, July 22, 2024