

New York State Education Department – Office of Teaching Initiatives Announcement

****IMPORTANT – SECOND UPDATED OF MANDATORY CHILD ABUSE TRAINING REQUIRED****

Child Abuse Identification & Reporting Workshop (SECOND UPDATE)

The Identification and Reporting of Child Abuse & Maltreatment/ Neglect workshop is required for those seeking educator certification and those who qualify as mandated reporters. The amended Section 413 of the Social Services Law requires the New York State Mandated Identification and Reporting of Child Abuse and Maltreatment/Neglect coursework **to include the addition of guidance on identifying** an abused or maltreated child when such child is an individual with an intellectual or developmental disability.

The law requires that every person who is required to take the mandated training related to child abuse, including those who have previously undergone this training, must complete the updated curriculum by November 17, 2026.

This training is available **only** from a provider approved by the New York State Education Department. A list of approved workshop providers is available in this link:

<https://www.op.nysed.gov/about/training-continuing-education/child-abuse-identification-reporting>

Implementation Timeline

September 1, 2025- All NYSED approved workshop providers are required to integrate and present the **new curriculum in trainings offered on or after September 1, 2025.**

October 1, 2025- Applications for certification submitted **on or after October 1, 2025,** will require **completion of the second updated workshop** for issuance of the certificate.

All who requests a college recommendation submission for certification **after October 1, 2025,** must have proof of **completion for the second updated Child Abuse workshop.**

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