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Serving Infants, Toddlers, and Preschoolers with Disabilities

In this newsletter, explore several different ways to modify and adapt the environment to support children with suspected or identified disabilities. These resources can be used in center-based and home-based settings. Resources are included for teachers, supervisors, trainers, and professional development providers. Administrators and directors can also use these resources to lead professional development sessions for staff focused on meeting the needs of all children.

Environment Modifications to Support Learning

Curriculum Modifications: An Introduction

Watch a short summary video about eight types of curriculum modifications. Accompanying resources include a tip sheet for teachers, an observation checklist for supervisors, and presentation slides embedded with activities and videos for trainers and professional development providers. These materials introduce curriculum modifications and when and why to use them.

Environmental Support

Discover strategies to change the environment to promote children's participation and engagement. There's something for everyone in this in-service suite. It offers a tip sheet for teachers, an observation checklist for supervisors, presentation slides embedded with activities, and visual and video demonstrations for trainers and professional development providers to help practitioners use environmental support.

Materials Adaptation

Learn how to modify materials so that children can participate as independently as possible in daily activities. Like the resources above, this in-service suite includes resources for teachers, supervisors, and trainers.

Classroom Visuals and Supports

Do you have a child who needs an alternate way of communicating or engaging in daily activities? Access a library of downloadable and printable visual supports. Find a daily schedule, problem-solving cues, classroom jobs, and much more.

Ongoing Features

Head Start Disability/Inclusion Network

Engage with the disabilities and Head Start community around the country in an online community hosted on the MyPeers platform. Share resources, engage in conversations, and ask questions. Register now as a member of MyPeers: <http://www.123contactform.com/form-2230355/My-Peers>

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