

Teaching Executive Function

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About the Presenter

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Training Description

“Executive function” is a construct used to describe repertoires critical to many aspects of life. It is sometimes described as “the management system of the brain”. Executive function is divided into 3 broad domains: working memory, cognitive flexibility, and inhibitory control. When a student apparently lacks one of these repertoires, it is common to introduce a support, such as visual reminders. While potentially part of the solution, these supports are not magic! In this presentation, we will focus primarily on practical strategies for teaching executive function skills. While these skills usually continue to develop during adolescence, the foundations of these skills can be taught much sooner.

Training Objectives

Participants will be able to describe:

- How failure to complete an activity may, or may not, reflect a deficit in executive function.
- At least 3 practical activities for teaching executive function skills.
- How “the nuts and bolts” of teaching procedures may support or limit the development of executive function skills.

When:

August 4, 2021

Where:

Online

Duration:

9:00 am – 11: 30 am

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