

Underlying Needs: A Strengths/Needs-Based Service Crafting Approach

DATE & TIME:

April 30, 2025

9:00AM - 1:00PM

Participants must have reliable internet access and audio/visual capability to participate in this training. Sign-in begins 15 minutes prior to the training time. All participants must arrive during the sign-in period. Late arrivals will not be admitted.

PLACE:

Web Broadcast – MS Teams

REGISTRATION:

<https://eventshub.dmh.lacounty.gov>

DESCRIPTION: Exploring children's underlying needs helps to identify the origins of emotional/psychological challenges and reframe the understanding of their problematic behaviors. This training will focus on enhancing providers' grasp of the impact of trauma on children and youth's development, safety, attachment, and trauma-related needs. Training activities include developing needs statements based on participants' understanding of what is influencing a child's behavior. Additional discussion considerations include identifying strengths and underlying needs to develop individualized treatment plans for children and youth. Participants will have the opportunity to explore their thoughts and beliefs relevant to trauma and cultural considerations that influence underlying needs of children and youth.

TARGET AUDIENCE: DMH staff and contracted mental health providers rendering services to children/youth in the child welfare system and/or in the community.

OBJECTIVES:

As a result of attending this training, participants should be able to:

1. List at least two strength-based approaches when engaging children, youth and families.
2. Describe underlying needs and how these needs manifest in children and youth as behaviors.
3. Describe how the child and family's culture, strengths, and underlying needs are used to develop individualized treatment plans.
4. Prepare individualized treatment plans incorporating services and supports to meet the child or youth's needs.

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DEADLINE:

April 29, 2025 or when capacity is reached.

CONTINUING EDUCATION:

4.0 hours for BBS, BRN, CCAPP-EI
4.0 CE for Psychologist

COST:

NONE