



Train the Trainer - DV 101

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9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Okemos, MI

Description:

This training focuses on the principles of adult learning and how to turn these principles into the skills needed to educate community groups on domestic violence. Participants will receive sample training materials, engage in practice training sessions, and participate in comprehensive learning on not only what information to provide to their audiences, but how to convey it. Participants will learn the most up-to-date techniques on how to make training accessible for adult learners, and will have full access to a completed presentation within their communities for basic training on domestic violence.

Objectives:

- 1. Participants will have an understanding of the basic principles of adult learning and will practice implementing these principles.*
- 2. Participants will be able to effectively provide a variety of individuals and organizations with a basic understanding of what domestic violence is, how and where it occurs, and to whom.*
- 3. Participants will have the tools necessary to lead community engagement in domestic violence awareness in a survivor-centered, trauma-informed way.*

Audience:

This training is for those who work in community engagement or community services, for volunteer coordinators, or for anyone charged with providing training to adult learners. Those who desire to lead conversations about domestic violence, and to offer sound understanding of its causes and effects to community are encouraged to attend.

Schedule and Agenda:

8:30 am – 9:00 am Registration

9:00 am – 5:00 pm Training

Morning: Adult Learning Theory

- Grounding in survivor-centered, trauma-informed, and intersectional approaches
- Adult learning theory
- Domestic violence 101, training design, and managing tricky questions

Lunch Break

- On your own
- 75 minutes

Afternoon: Training Best Practices and Practical Application

- Tailoring your training to your audience, decision making, and audience management
- Interactive skill building
- Practical application

FACULTY BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION



CHÉREE THOMAS is the **Hotline Director** of the Michigan Coalition to End Domestic and Sexual Violence. Chéree brings both direct service and non-profit management experience. She is a graduate of the University of Toledo where she earned a Masters in Liberal Studies with a concentration in Diversity and Multicultural Studies, a Bachelors in Liberal Studies with a concentration in Women and Disability, an Associates in Correctional Technology and a Certification in Diversity Management. Her leadership experience includes Executive Director, Program Manager and Senior Director of Programs in several non-profits. In 2011, she authored a book entitled, “See Me for Who I Am” that addresses sexual assault issues faced by African

American women. Chéree served as board chair for the Society for History and Racial Equity and was featured in an exhibit at the Kalamazoo Valley Museum called, “Voices for Social Justice.” Her passion lies in providing equitable services that are accessible for communities.



MERKEB YOHANNES joined MCEDSV in 2017 and is a **Senior Program Director**. She joins MCEDSV after nearly 10 years of working in advocacy and program management at a non-profit organization serving those with disabilities. Prior to that she lived in Atlanta, Georgia primarily working in social services amongst Immigrant and Refugee families and was an active member of various social justice community groups. Merkeb has vast experience working in developing countries with international non-profit organizations, local governments and faith-based organizations in areas of woman and girl empowerment, grant management, HIV/AIDS prevention and intervention, media material development for public health issues, and workforce training and development. As a Lansing resident, she continues to volunteer in her community with local agencies that advocate and support survivors as well as with the Refugee community.



PHILLIP BARNHART is an **Events & Program Manager** at MCEDSV. He joined MCEDSV having spent four years in his home community of Flint as it struggled through its water crisis. He served one year as an AmeriCorps VISTA, developing programs and community partnerships in Flint elementary schools, and then as a program manager at the United Way of Genesee County where he directed the Flint Recovery Corps, a service corps designed to connect residents effected by the water crisis with support resources. He continues to serve as a board member, administrator, program manager, and instructor with

the Flint Public Art Project, which he helped to found in 2011. FPAP seeks to connect Flint with the global conversation around reactivating blighted spaces through public art, and focuses on navigating trauma through the arts. In addition to his work at MCEDSV, he is currently a Lecturer II at the University of Michigan-Flint where he teaches Cultural Studies and American Philosophy in the Graduate School.



ALISON KOLODZY joined MCEDSV in 2018 as a **Program Specialist**. Alison brings a decade’s worth of experience in teaching, research, grant writing, and events management in higher education and non-profits. She is passionate about facilitating equity and access through a commitment to intersectionality, systems change, and community-led approaches. Currently on the MCEDSV Events Team, Alison also has the opportunity to work under a grant supporting survivors with disabilities in collaboration with the Michigan Disability Rights Coalition. In her free time, she has created and coordinated several conferences and workshop series, including *Migration Without*

Boundaries, an interdisciplinary conference featuring scholarship on migration, mobility, and gender. Alison holds a BA from Michigan State University and MA from University College Dublin.

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