



A note from the TARSS team

Spring has officially sprung—even if there is still snow on the ground! They say patience is a virtue, but during a Minnesota spring, it's more like a requirement. Still, given the bare patches of ground that can be seen in sunny spots, the first crocuses can't be far behind, and neither is TARSS' signature spring event, the Trainer and RBPD Specialist Symposium!

Take a look at our **Presenter Spotlight on keynote speaker Ijumaa Jordan** below, and [register today](#) to take advantage of our early bird rate (available for one more week!).

Trainer and RBPD Specialist Symposium

May 5 - 7, 2023 | Ruttger's Bay Lake Resort | Brainerd Lakes, MN

Join us for a Develop-approved, retreat-style event for trainers, RBPD specialists, and course writers!

- This Friday-to-Sunday event allows more child care providers who are also trainers/course writers to attend
- Registration fee includes accommodations and meals
- 4-hour power sessions on Saturday let you dive deep into learning

The 2023 Symposium will include incredible sessions from local and national presenters including Ijumaa Jordan, Ariel Handevitd, Mike Huber, Jamie Bonczyk, and more!

[Register](#)



Presenter Spotlight: Ijumaa Jordan

Ijumaa Jordan is a nationally known speaker, educator, and consultant with more than 20 years of experience in early education. At this year's [Trainer and RBPD Specialist Symposium](#), she will share her expertise in a Saturday morning keynote as well as two intensive breakout sessions addressing aspects of diversity, equity, and inclusion. Jordan's presentations will focus on moving participants from awareness to meaningful application in their work with early childhood care providers.

[Read more about the Symposium](#)

Upcoming changes to training documentation in Develop

Beginning May 1, 2023, per direction from the Minnesota Department of Human Services, Achieve will phase out the option for Develop Individual Members to send Training Certificates to be verified on their Learning Records.

[Read the announcement from Achieve](#)



Course Writer Membership required courses

[Minnesota Course Writer Orientation Module](#)

Cost: Free

This free course is for early education professionals with a Career Lattice Step 9d or higher who would like to become course writers. Course writers write approved trainings in the early education field.

[Register](#)

[Course Writer: Design Skills](#)

Cost: \$100

- Learn how the basic elements of adult learning theory impact course design
- Learn to draft measurable learning objectives for adults
- Identify strategies and techniques that support adult learning acquisition, retention, and application

This 3-hour course is a live online event. It is required for Course Writer Membership. After you complete the course your attendance will appear in Develop within 3 business days.

[See upcoming dates and register](#)

Trainer Orientations

[Minnesota Trainer Orientation Module 1](#) and [Module 2](#)

Cost: Free

2 clock hours, self-paced online, no prerequisites

These free, on-demand courses are for individuals who would like to become an approved trainer in Minnesota and for those who are renewing their Trainer Membership.

[Learn more and register for Module 1](#)

[Learn more and register for Module 2](#)

Adult Learning Modules

Adult Learning Modules 1 and 2 help trainers meet the 12 hours of training about adult learning required for trainer approval in Minnesota. You must complete both modules to meet this requirement.

[Adult Learning Module 1: Delivery Skills](#) and [Module 2: Design Skills](#)

- Offered in person or online with live Zoom sessions
- 6 hours Develop-approved in person (8 hours online)
- Cost: Live or work in Minnesota: \$100. Professionals outside of Minnesota: \$200

[Learn more and register for Module 1](#)

Resource refresh

Arizona-based [Indigo Cultural Center](#) has just released their much-anticipated full report on integrating diversity, equity, and inclusion into reflective supervision practices.

Entitled [Digging Deeper: De-colonizing Our Understanding and Practice of Reflective Supervision through a Racial Equity Lens](#), it's available to download for free.

What we're reading

- [Managing Difficult Conversations](#) (Doug Teschner, New Hampshire Business Review)
- [Can Edtech Be Used to Better Serve Daydreamers?](#) (Caitlin Mills, Getting Smart)
- [InBrief: What Is Resilience?](#) (video; Harvard Center on the Developing Child)

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