




## **DDSN Executive Memo**

**TO: EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS OF DSN BOARDS WITH RESIDENTIAL SERVICES AND DAY PROGRAMS  
CEOS OF CONTRACTED SERVICE WITH RESIDENTIAL SERVICES AND DAY PROGRAMS  
RESIDENTIAL DIRECTORS  
DAY PROGRAM DIRECTORS  
CASE MANAGEMENT SUPERVISORS**

**FROM: ASSOCIATE STATE DIRECTOR SUSAN KREH BECK** 

**DATE: AUGUST 13, 2019**

**RE: Second Round of Person Centered Thinking Training Announcement**

The SC Department of Disabilities and Special Needs (DDSN) has contracted with Health Risk Screening (HRS) to deliver Person-Centered Thinking (PCT) training to DDSN's network of providers. Attendees will be trained in the effective use of PCT tools and skills that promote and enhance person centered planning and practices, which is necessary to achieve compliance with the federal Home and Community Based Settings Rule. Each two (2)-day training is designed to:

- Train attendees to assist people to regain positive control over their lives
- Promote and enhance our ongoing learning of the person
- Help build effective supports and plans that lead to fulfilled lives
- Reframe our notions and ideas about those with disabilities
- Help discover the balance between "important TO" and "important FOR"

A first round of PCT training has been delivered to case management staff across the state. This second round of training will be delivered to day and residential staff. At the current time, PCT training has been scheduled at six (6) regional locations between September and October 2019. Each session is limited to 50 participants per session and space will be available on a first come, first serve basis. An additional six (6) sessions will be announced later this year.

Registration will close once all 50 slots are filled for each session. Please register at:  
<https://ddsnpcttraining.eventbrite.com>.

It is the expectation that all day and residential staff who are responsible for assessing and planning for those supported receive this training directly; this is not a train-the-trainer model of training. Additionally, as the Executive Director or CEO of the agency, your attendance is strongly recommended along with any other management staff who are responsible for day and residential service provision. As stated on previous occasions, new Case Managers not already trained may also register.

Attendees must commit to attend the full two (2)-day training. Because space is limited, if a scheduled attendee cannot attend, a notice of cancellation must be submitted to [choney@ddsn.sc.gov](mailto:choney@ddsn.sc.gov) as soon as possible.

The sessions are listed below. In addition, flyers summarizing the training are attached listing each location and time so that you may provide them to your staff.

## **DDSN PERSON CENTERED THINKING TRAINING DATES AND REGISTRATION**

1. September 9 and 10 (*approximately 10 slots available*)  
Whitten Center, Family Therapy Center, 28373 Highway 76 E Clinton, SC 29325
2. September 16 and 17 (*approximately 5 slots available*)  
DDSN Central Office, Room 251, 3440 Harden Street Ext., Columbia, SC 29203
3. September 23 and 24 (*approximately 5 slots available*)  
Seacoast Church, 301 E 5th N St., Summerville, SC 29483
4. September 30 and October 1 (*approximately 12 slots available*)  
Pee Dee Regional Center, Multi-Purpose/Staff Development Bldg., 714 National Cemetery Rd., Florence, SC
5. October 7 and 8 (*approximately 10 slots available*)  
DDSN Central Office, Room 251, 3440 Harden Street Ext., Columbia, SC 29203
6. October 14 and 15 (*approximately 31 slots available*)  
Greenville County Library, 25 Heritage Green Place, Greenville, SC 29601

I look forward to seeing you at the training.

Attachments