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E C R's S A M Mediator Fall Training, 2024

Training: A **15-hour** Mediator/Facilitator Training designed to prepare participants to facilitate **S**chool **A**ttendance **M**ediations, **SAMs**.

Training Timeline: **September 12, 19, 26, and 28**

Training Cost: **\$500*** (\$450 per person if a county sends 5 or more)

Training Includes the following:

- **7.5 hours of online training (on 3 consecutive Thursdays)**
- **7.5 hours of role-play skill application (on a Saturday)**
- **A digital and hard copy edition of the 70+ page SAM Training Manual**
- **An official SAM Mediator Certificate**
- **Forms and Materials to start a SAM Program in your own county.**

Training Schedule:

- **Online Sessions--3 consecutive Thursdays (September 12, 19, 26) from 6:00-8:30 PM.** These are 2.5 Hour sessions, each with a built-in break.
- **One 7.5 Hour In-person Role-Play Skill Application Day on Saturday, September 28, from 9:00-5:30 with built-in breaks and a 45-minute lunch.**

*** Full or partial scholarships are available upon inquiry.**

Email info@workitout.org to apply.

Register Online: www.workitout.org



School Attendance Mediator (SAM**) Training**

Length: 15 Hours

Training Description:

This training is an intensive, participatory introduction to the **School Attendance Mediation** or the **SAM** program, which prepares participants to be **SAM** Mediators and coaches them on how to initiate and administer a **SAM** intervention program for their own community public school systems. The focus is on providing mediations to families and their students who have exhibited a chronic pattern of absenteeism. The training introduces conflict resolution theory and teaches the techniques for conducting an effective and productive **SAM** mediation which gets students back to school and learning. The emphasis is on changing student behavior through non-punitive measures. The training provides simulated learning experiences by including a mediation role-play day with positive, non-critical coaching designed to improve the participant's skills in a non-intimidating environment.

Target Audience:

Community volunteers, educators, retired persons, and youth workers who wish to become an **ECR Certified SAM Mediator** and help initiate and develop a **SAM** Program in their communities.

Training Includes:

A 70-page+ digital and hard-copy manual, additional instructional handouts, and an **ECR SAM Mediator Certificate** (awarded upon completion of the training.)

Training Format:

Involves a mix of three, early evening, 2.5 hour Zoom Sessions & one in-person 7-hour role-play day conducted on the Manchester University Campus.

Training Cost: \$500

Full scholarships are available to Wabash County residents who sign a contract pledging to conduct 12 mediations for **ECR** over a three-year period. **ECR** provides additional on-site training and mentoring. Scholarships are also available to **Manchester University students**.

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