

Leadership in Center-Based Settings



The Leadership in Center-Based Settings module series will deepen your understanding of leadership within early learning and care programs. It offers a comprehensive overview of the knowledge, skills, and dispositions you need to operate a high-quality center-based child care program. It also includes practical strategies for leading in a center-based setting.

Consider this module series if you relate to the following:

- You want to deepen your understanding of effective leadership strategies.
- You support, train, and coach early learning and care teams.
- You seek to integrate key business practices to support your program's success.
- You are interested in developing meaningful partnerships with families.

Why This Module Series Is Unique

- Provides practical strategies and resources to support center-based leaders.
- Includes vignettes that bring concepts to life, making the content relevant and meaningful to learners.
- Identifies specific competencies necessary to lead a center-based program.
- Provides opportunities for learners to reflect on their own knowledge, skills, and dispositions.
- Allows learners with diverse needs to select relevant topics to support their needs and goals.
- Offers opportunities to plan for using module content.

This series has nine modules. Here is a sample of what you will find in these modules:

Module 1: Introduction to Leadership in Early Learning and Care (1 hour)

Offers a wide range of leadership strategies for all early learning and care professionals.

Module 2: Program Development and Administration (2.5 hours)

Explores the importance of your program mission, vision, and values. Offers strategies for creating program policies and using practices that support children's development and learning.

Module 3: Budgeting for Quality Center-Based Child Care (2 hours)

Identifies budgeting practices for starting or sustaining a financially successful early learning and care program.

Module 4: Marketing and Advertising in Center-Based Early Learning and Care Programs (2 hours)

Identifies strategies for marketing and advertising your program.

Module 5: Personnel Management (2 hours)

Explores strategies for hiring, onboarding, training, managing, and communicating with your team.

Module 6: Personnel Development (2.5 hours)

Offers ways to create a positive culture, support professional learning, and encourage collaboration.

Module 7: Leadership and Advocacy (1 hour)

Identifies the key knowledge, skills, and personal characteristics early learning and care leaders and advocates need. This module also examines ways to advocate for children, families, and the early learning and care profession.

Module 8: Cultivating Family and Community Partnerships and Engagement (2 hours)

Explores ways to create meaningful partnerships to support the development and learning of all children, including children with disabilities or delays.

Module 9: Caring for Yourself and Others (1 hour)

Offers ideas on how to integrate self-care practices daily. Provides opportunities to consider your team's self-care and create a community of care.



This module series is available at no cost. To enroll, create a free account on [California Early Childhood Online](#).