MI-LEND Program

Michigan Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities (MI-LEND) is an interdisciplinary leadership training program, funded under the Autism Collaboration, Accountability, Research, Education, and Support (CARES) Act, and administered by the Health Resources and Service’s Administration’s (HRSA) Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB). The MI-LEND program trains emerging leaders with the goal of improving the health of infants, children, and adolescents with or at risk for neurodevelopmental disabilities and other special health care needs. The MI-LEND Program is a two-semester training program that emphasizes developing family-centered, culturally competent interdisciplinary leadership skills.

MI-LEND Trainees

LEND trainees must have completed their undergraduate degree and be enrolled in or have completed a graduate program in the Maternal Child Health professions (audiology, dentistry, genetic counseling, health administration, medicine, nursing, nutrition, occupational therapy, physical therapy, psychology, social work, special education, speech-language pathology). Self-advocates and family members of children with disabilities and other special health care needs are also encouraged to apply.

MI-LEND is a collaboration of the following universities:

- Central Michigan University
- Michigan State University
- University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
- University of Michigan-Dearborn
- Wayne State University
- Western Michigan University

Training Opportunities

Long-term trainees

- Will be required to complete at least 300 hours of didactic, clinical and experiential learning.
- Receive a certificate for successful completion of the program as well as a stipend.

Other training opportunities

Webinars, workshops and experiential learning opportunities are available to other interested graduate-level trainees and professionals.

Interested in Applying?

Applications to be a long-term trainee for the 2018-19 academic year are being accepted through May 1st, 2018. For more details, please visit: https://ddi.wayne.edu/milendapp

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