



Treating Developmental Trauma and Attachment in Children (TDTAC)

Course Dates * : Thursdays, Jun 25, Jul 9, Jul 16, Jul 23, August 6 (no class on Thursday July 30) | 9am - 4:30pm CT | 10am - 5:30pm ET

*1 hour Pre Course Meeting Thursday Jun 18, 2026 11:00am-Noon US CT | Noon-1:00pm US ET

* Three 2-hour post-course implementation meetings will be scheduled based on cohort availability and consensus.

Advanced Training for Therapists, Clinicians, Mental Health Professionals, School Counselors

TDTAC is a 38.25-hour live, online course for mental health professionals in child welfare, mental health, and adoption / permanency. It combines current research with practical, relational strategies. The course includes self-paced materials, a pre-class session, live virtual instruction, and implementation hours. Graduates earn **38.25 NBCC continuing education credits** and may register as ATTACH mental health clinicians.

COURSE OVERVIEW

Children separated from primary attachment figures need specialized support to heal. TDTAC helps professionals understand and address these needs through:

- **Interpersonal Neurobiology** - Learn how brain science informs therapeutic approaches.
- **Relational and Physiological Practices** - Apply body-based and connection-focused strategies.
- **Grief and Loss Support** - Explore ways to help children process separation, including:
 - Maintaining placement stability
 - Reducing repeated losses
 - Promoting connection through access and openness
- **Systems-Level Work** - Understand how therapy and systemic support must work together for lasting impact.

Topics Covered Include:

- Residential Treatment
- Childhood Violence in the Home
- Historic & Intergenerational Trauma
- Cultural Safety
- Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity in Children
- Racism and Identity Formation

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

- Current schools of thought and research on childhood developmental trauma through the lenses of attachment and trauma.
- Terminologies including Developmental Trauma and ACES
- Attachment theory and theories of trauma
- Current psychotherapeutic modalities and techniques including on sensory, somatic, and brain-based trauma-genic differences.

Format

- Pre-Course: 1 hour online interactive meeting
- Part 1: 5 Day Instructor Led Online Interactive Classroom (31.25 hours)
- Part 2: 6 hours post implementation knowledge assessment
 - 3 two-hour sessions
- Reading will be assigned to be completed outside of class time.

Instructional Methods

PowerPoint, Discussion, Case Studies, Videos, Supporting Articles

Cost *

\$505 ATTACH Member

- \$555 Non-Member
- *There will be an additional 3% fee if paying by credit card

Course Developers

- Mary-Jo Land, Registered Psychotherapist
- Dr. Norman Thibault, PhD, LMFT
- Sue Badeau, Attachment and Trauma Expert, Trainer, Consultant

Continuing Education

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