

## Other Oak Hill Professional Development Training Opportunities

### Oak Hill Center for Relationship & Sexuality Education (CRSE)—Professional Development

CRSE provides therapeutic and educational programs that promote safe and healthy relationships and breast health education for people with developmental disabilities and other physical, social and emotional conditions and the professionals who work with them.

Oak Hill has published the **Breast Health Education for Women with Intellectual Disabilities—Teaching Manual** (with CD-ROM); to purchase this valuable curriculum, and others, please visit [www.oakhillcrse.org](http://www.oakhillcrse.org) or call (860) 242-2274 ext. 3500 or email: [info@ciboakhill.org](mailto:info@ciboakhill.org)

**NEAT Center at Oak Hill—Professional Development**—a state-of-the art assistive technology demonstration and equipment restoration center that brings people with temporary or permanent disabilities, their families and the professionals who work with them together with equipment and services they need to live, learn and work. Please visit [www.neatmarketplace.org](http://www.neatmarketplace.org) or call (860) 243-2869; toll free in CT (866) 526-4492, or email: [info@neatmarketplace.org](mailto:info@neatmarketplace.org)

#### *Most classes are CEU eligible*

Yes, both CRSE and NEAT are programs of Oak Hill, which is a Connecticut State Department of Education approved CEU provider. Continuing Education Units (CEUs) are issued for classes that correspond to specific topics as outlined by the state.

## Oak Hill Speaker's Bureau

Members of the Oak Hill community are available to address area organizations on a wide variety of topics. In the interest of promoting a better understanding of matters ranging from integration of individuals with intellectual disabilities to strategic planning, speakers are available to address a variety of organizations such as:

- Community
- Academic
- Industrial
- Professional

For more information and a complete listing of topics and fees charged, please visit our website: [www.ciboakhill.org](http://www.ciboakhill.org), click on **Oak Hill Professional Development**

## Awards

Oak Hill's CD-ROM based **American Sign Language** course received a **Merit Award** from the New York International Association of Business Communicators.



## Mission:

Oak Hill enhances independence and quality of life for people with disabilities, including visual impairments, by setting the standard in providing innovative solutions, program excellence, services and advocacy.



## Oak Hill Professional Development

**Maintaining and enhancing the education and training of staff who work with people with disabilities and raising the awareness in the community about living and working with people with disabilities.**



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## Investing in our Employees

We provide comprehensive new employee orientation and extensive on-going education for Oak Hill staff.

### New and existing Oak Hill Staff are trained in the following:

- Signs and Symptoms of Illness
- Basic Care Skills
- Medication Administration
- Infection Control
- Physical/Psychological Management Techniques (PMT)
- American Red Cross First Aid and Safety
- American Red Cross CPR
- Human Rights and Abuse
- Back Safety
- Defensive Driving
- Passenger Assistance Techniques
- Positive Behavioral Supports
- Orientation and Mobility
- Health Management
- As well as the educational and skill assessment necessary to meet the requirements for nursing delegation.



## Educating the Community

Oak Hill enables professionals in the community working with people with disabilities to earn Continuing Education Units (CEUs), recertification, and licensing. Oak Hill provides comprehensive training to:

- Educators
  - Healthcare professionals
  - Family members
  - And those who care for people with disabilities.
- There is a fee for all professional development training.

### Comprehensive Training Modules offered:

- American Red Cross Community CPR
- American Red Cross Community First Aid and Safety
- Defensive Driving (National Safety Council)
- Signs and Symptoms/Basic Care Skills
- Infection Control (OSHA)
- Back Safety
- Disability Awareness (vision and visual impairments)
- Supporting Relationship and Sexuality
- American Sign Language

### How do I register for a class?

Please call the Oak Hill Professional Development at (860) 769-3302; email at [info@ciboakhill.org](mailto:info@ciboakhill.org);

Oak Hill Professional Development members presented at Simsbury High School's Multicultural Club's Diversity Day event. Students participated in activities and lessons to help them understand prejudice and to challenge stereotypes. Students were involved in a simulation of visual and hearing impairments while performing everyday tasks and engaging in problem solving activities.



## Features of Oak Hill Professional Development

- Certified Instructors
- Strong Educational Focus
- Fully equipped training facility (located on Oak Hill's main campus at 120 Holcomb Street, Hartford, free parking)



### Oak Hill Professional Development Staff

Includes highly qualified and dedicated people who ensure that classes are both educational and enjoyable. Comprehensive and on-going education provides direct care workers, managers and supervisors with the expertise needed to meet the educational, physical, emotional and psychological needs of people with multiple disabilities and to guarantee the safety of clients and staff.



## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

### What classes do you offer?

Oak Hill Professional Development offers a wide range of modules in topics related to providing supports to individuals with disabilities. The topics include Red Cross safety training, nursing delegation skills, positive behavioral supports and abuse prevention, among others. To learn more, please visit our website: [www.ciboakhill.org](http://www.ciboakhill.org) and click on **Professional Development** for a more complete listing.

### Can I custom design a training workshop to meet the needs of my school?

Yes, please call Oak Hill Professional Development at (860) 769-3862, email at [pellinoj@ciboakhill.org](mailto:pellinoj@ciboakhill.org)

### Is Oak Hill Professional Development open to everyone?

Yes, we welcome the general public to take the Red Cross and National Safety Council classes. Many classes are tailored to people working in human services and family members of individuals with disabilities.

### Are your classes CEU eligible?

Yes, Oak Hill is a Connecticut State Department of Education approved CEU provider. Continuing Education Units (CEUs) are issued for classes that correspond to specific topics as outlined by the state.

### Can I register for classes online?

No, not at present, but in the near future.