Who can become a MAT Trainer?

The Code of Virginia specifies that a MAT Trainer Applicant must hold a current, valid Virginia professional license as an RN, LPN, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, medical or osteopathic doctor, or pharmacist, with a clean history on the Virginia Department of Health Professions License Lookup website. Additionally, applicants must have experience teaching adult learners, knowledge of the child care population, and/or experience working with adults employed by child day programs.

What do MAT Trainers do?

Becoming a MAT Trainer requires time, effort and a financial commitment. MAT Trainers must:

- Present the approved MAT Curriculum exactly as it is written, without additions or omissions
- Stay current with curriculum revisions and revised materials
- Comply with all standards, policies and procedures set forth by the MAT Program
- Facilitate MAT Program classes, test participants' knowledge and assess participants' competency in skills demonstration
- Maintain a training kit and distribute all necessary handouts and related materials to training participants
- Advertise trainings and handle own scheduling
- Respond to requests from child care providers and programs in a timely, professional manner
- Maintain appropriate communication with the MAT Program Office
- Submit training data, by data entry, within 2 days for each training facilitated
- Locate training sites; arrange for appropriate room setup and equipment
- Meet specific requirements in order to renew MAT Trainer Certification every 3 years

Who must take the MAT training?

The Code of Virginia states that child care providers who work in licensed and regulated child day programs must successfully complete the appropriate Board of Nursing approved MAT Course. Please visit the MAT Program website at [mat.medhomeplus.org](http://mat.medhomeplus.org) for complete information about the courses available in the MAT Curriculum and what each course covers.

How do I become a MAT Trainer?

You must first submit a signed application, three signed letters of reference (professional) and a current resume to the MAT Program Office at Medical Home Plus (MHP). Please submit your application and supporting documents by email to support@mat.freshdesk.com or by fax to 804-330-5032. We will contact you after reviewing your application to let you know if you have been approved. If your application is approved, you must attend and successfully complete, and pass, a two-day MAT Training of Trainers (TOT) Course.

How much does it cost to attend the MAT TOT Course?

Upon application approval and confirmation of a reserved spot in an upcoming MAT TOT Course, the MAT Program Office will send the approved applicant an electronic, non-refundable invoice for $300.00. This invoice must be paid within 48 hours, or the spot will be offered to the next approved applicant on the waiting list. This cost covers the weekend training and all materials needed, but does not cover travel, lodging or meal expenses. Additionally, new MAT Trainers must assemble a training kit, which can cost between $400-$600.

For additional information about the MAT Program, questions about becoming a MAT Trainer, or to submit a MAT Trainer Application, please email our MAT Customer Service System: support@mat.freshdesk.com

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