

About the Instructors

Michelle Lintott is the Program Manager for *You Make The Difference™* at The Hanen Centre. She is an experienced Group Leader and has provided workshop training on the *You Make The Difference™* program throughout North America and the United Kingdom. Michelle has many years of experience working with children, families, and educators and has a background that includes early childhood education, intervention, and prevention programming.

Carm Viola is an Early Childhood Educator with over 14 years of experience providing support to children and their families. She is employed by the George Hull Centre in Toronto, Canada, where she is involved in case management, developmental assessment, and parent education. Carm has been providing families with the *You Make The Difference™* Parent-Child Interaction Program since 1997.

Judy Ball, M.S., C.C.C., is a speech and language pathologist with more than 25 years of experience working with children and families. She is employed by the University of Western Ontario and maintains a private practice in the area of pediatrics. Judy has been offering *You Make the Difference™* programs for more than 5 years and has given workshops on this program in North America and internationally.

Ann Kurtz is a family support counselor with Westcoast Family Resources Society in Vancouver, Canada. She has over 15 years of experience working with adolescent parents and their children and is presently an emergency response counselor for families in crisis. Ann has been offering *You Make the Difference™* programs since 1998.

What the Experts Say

“*You Make The Difference* provides the tools for adults to engage in intimate, supportive interactions with children.”

Philip H. Printz
Head Start Region 1 Resource Access Project
Education Development Centre

“The Hanen Program has hit the mark once again in sensing what parents need in order to promote their children’s communication skills.”

Louis M. Rossetti
Editor, *Infant/Toddler Intervention:*
The Transdisciplinary Journal

“A warm, wise and wonderful guide to help parents and other grown-ups connect with the feelings of babies and young children.”

Emily Fenichel
Editor, *Zero to Three Bulletin*
National Center for Clinical Infant Programs



Parent-Child Interaction Program

Enriching parent-child
interaction as part of your
prevention program

A 3-Day Workshop for
Community Professionals

Hosted by

THE OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT
OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
EVEN START FAMILY
LITERACY PROGRAM
SEATAC, WASHINGTON
AUGUST 16-18, 2005



The Hanen Centre
1075 Bay Street, Suite 515
Toronto, ON Canada M5S 2B1
Email: info@hanen.org
Website: www.hanen.org
Tel: 416 921-1073 Fax: 416 921-1225

About the YMTD Workshop

In the 3 day *You Make The Difference™* (YMTD) Workshop, community professionals will learn how to lead a YMTD Parent-Child Interaction Program.

Workshop participants will be taught through a series of interactive, experiential activities, which include:

- Observing simulated YMTD sessions
- Leading a practice session for a group of parents

Workshop materials include:

- YMTD Guidebook for Parents
- YMTD Leader’s Guide
- YMTD Teaching Tape
- *Help Your Child Learn* Poster

Who Should Attend?

The YMTD Workshop is for community professionals who work with a diverse group of parents of very young children. These parents may:

- ✓ Benefit from improving their parenting skills
- ✓ Be young and/or single
- ✓ Be socially or geographically isolated
- ✓ Be economically disadvantaged
- ✓ Have limited literacy skills
- ✓ Have typically developing children or children who are at risk of delays in development

The YMTD Workshop will enable community workers to:

- Run YMTD Programs for groups of parents
- Evaluate and support positive parent and child interactions
- Provide parents with support from other parents in the group
- Link parents with other community services that they may need

Please note: **This workshop is not for professionals who work exclusively with families of children with identified special needs and/or language delays. Workshop participants will not be licensed to provide this program to the aforementioned population. (Please see ‘Upon Completion of the YMTD Workshop’)**

About the YMTD Program

The YMTD Program:

- ✓ Teaches parents how to interact with their children in ways that enhance the parent-child relationship and promote child well being
- ✓ Helps parents learn to promote their children's social language and early literacy development during everyday situations
- ✓ Is a general education parenting program geared toward prevention
- ✓ Helps make parents aware of developmental needs their child may have so that appropriate services may be accessed with support from community professionals
- ✓ Combines group sessions for parents with individual videotaping of parents and their children, with coaching from the YMTD group leader

Prerequisites for YMTD Workshop Attendance

To be eligible to attend participants must have:

- post-secondary training in Early Childhood Education, Public Health/Community Nursing, Social Work, Speech-Language Pathology or a related field

and/or

- A minimum of two years experience working with parents and their young children.

Note: It may be helpful to attend the YMTD Workshop with a colleague who will co-lead the Program with you.

To register, please go to:

<https://www.k12.wa.us/Events/root/Calendar/EventCalendarMonth.aspx>

Name: Sarah Bland

Phone: 360-725-6049

Fax: 360-664-3575

Email: SBland@ospi.wednet.edu



Upon Completion of the YMTD Workshop

You will be eligible to sign a Licensing Agreement with The Hanen Centre. This will license you to run the *You Make The Difference™* Program as a parent education/prevention program under the *YMTD* name and logo.

The Licensing Agreement:

- Outlines the required components for a *YMTD* Program
- Is renewable every year
- Requires that the YMTD Program be offered as a parent education/prevention program

With this license, you become a member of the *YMTD* support and information network. Your license also grants you access to a ‘members only’ section on Hanen’s Website (www.hanen.org)

Note: You must attend all three days of the Workshop to qualify for the license.

IMPORTANT

Enrolment is limited 48 participants.

Workshop Location
Radisson Hotel Seattle Airport
17001 Pacific Highway South,
SeaTac, WA 98188

You Make the Difference Workshop Agenda

Day 1 ~ * 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
* Registration begins at 8:45 a.m. on Day 1

Introduction to the *YMTD* Program

- Rationale and philosophy of the YMTD Program
- The '3A Way' – strategies to foster parent-child interaction

Orientation to the *YMTD* Program

- A *YMTD* group session for parents in action
- Adult Learning – considerations for leading *YMTD*

Day 2 ~ 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

How to run a *YMTD* Program

- Practice co-leading parts of a group session for parents
- Introduction to videotaping and coaching of parents while interacting with their children
- Evaluation of parent-child interaction

Day 3 ~ 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Lead a Mini Video Review in a *YMTD* Group Session

- Practice selecting positive video segments of parent-child interaction and leading a simulated group video review.

Understanding Typical Communication Development in Young Children

- Normal and delayed language development.
- Identification of risk factors.

Running Your First *YMTD* Program

- Things to consider.
- Getting started.

Registration Form

3-Day *YMTD* Workshop for Community Professionals

Please complete and fax this form to:

Sarah Bland
360-664-3575

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Name: _____

Title/Position: _____

Employer: _____

Work Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Your qualifications/experience:

- ☐ Community Worker ☐ Early Childhood Educator
- ☐ Public Health Nurse ☐ Infant Worker
- ☐ Speech-language Pathologist
- ☐ Other (specify) _____

Name of post-secondary institution & program: _____

Number of years working with families & young children: _____

Do you have experience leading parent groups?

YES ☐ NO ☐

If ‘yes,’ please describe: _____

Please describe your work setting and your job in this setting.

Describe how you plan to use the *YMTD* Program in your setting.

Do you currently work with children at risk?

YES ☐ NO ☐

Please describe the population to which you provide service.

Are you attending the workshop with a potential *YMTD* co-leader? YES ☐ NO ☐

Additional Comments: _____
