



## Eligibility Requirements to Become an Infant/Toddler Safe Sleep & Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (ITS-SIDS) Trainer



The ITS-SIDS on-line train-the-trainer course is offered regularly throughout the year.

Child Care Health Consultants and Regional Infant Toddler Specialists are eligible to complete the on-line ITS-SIDS trainer course.

Other early childhood trainers are welcome to complete the on-line trainer course if **all** of the following eligibility requirements are met:

- Must have in-service training **exempt agencies/organizations/individuals** status from the Division of Child Development.  
Examples of exempt agencies/organizations/individuals include: Child Care Resource & Referral, Smart Start Partnership, Early Head Start, Cooperative Extension Service, and Health Departments. *To check your Division of Child Development exempt or non-exempt status contact the Division of Child Development at 800-859-0829 or 919-662-4499 and request to speak with the In-Service Training Coordinator.*
- Must have a BS/BA degree in a health-related field or in early childhood/child development.
- Have some infant/toddler knowledge, which includes college coursework specifically related to infants and toddlers or growth and development of young children; **or** have at least one year experience working with infants or toddlers in a licensed child care facility.
- Have at least one year experience in adult training or education.

You will be accepted if you meet the eligibility criteria described above.

**Fill out the application and email it to Mary Cleary** at [clearym@unc.edu](mailto:clearym@unc.edu).

**Phone:** 919-707-5679

### **Special Circumstances:**

If you do not meet eligibility criteria and there is need for an ITS-SIDS trainer in your area you can request approval. Complete the *Request for Approval* form and an ITS-SIDS application. Email both the *Request for Approval* **and** the *ITS-SIDS Application* to Mary Cleary at: [clearym@unc.edu](mailto:clearym@unc.edu).