

Developmental Movement Play for Early Years Advisors (2 days)

Overview

This course is for advisors supporting early years practitioners who have completed the DMP Certificate Course. It does not train you to introduce, cascade or support the approach where there are no trained practitioners.

Well over half the local authorities in England and Wales now have practitioners who have taken the DMP Certificate Course and are trained to facilitate DMP with children in their settings. These practitioners need support from advisors who are up to speed with the principles and practice of this unique approach. Advisors – working in partnership with JABADAO - also have a key role to play in supporting quality assurance measures and consistency as the approach becomes more widely used.

This advisor's course provides the essential theory and practice needed to support practitioners as they develop new opportunities for child-led movement play at the core of the Early Years Foundation Stage in England or the Foundation Stage in Wales.

Participants are provided with a quality assurance pack to use with practitioners in their settings and a two-year subscription to the DMP journal, which shares practice amongst practitioners.

About Developmental Movement Play (DMP)

DMP provides a framework for re-evaluating customary practice - radically re-assessing the role of movement play in development, learning and wellbeing. It shows how and why young children are biologically driven to move in ways that will help them to grow well, and also demonstrates that adults often have a way to go before they can fully support this natural developmental process.

Crucially, it begins with the experience of movement play itself – not thinking about movement play - and it needs to be supported by practitioners and advisors who are in touch with the experience of movement play for themselves.

The course will enable you to

The course will enable you to support early years practitioners, who have completed the 5-day DMP Certificate Course, to:

- develop the DMP approach in their setting, in ways that fit their own ethos and organisation
- make partnerships with parents
- work with practitioners and managers to quality assure practice using the guidance provided

Style of the course

The course provides the essential elements of the five-day DMP Certificate Course in ways that support the work of advisors. It includes:

- formal teaching of theory
- practical: spontaneous movement activities
- practical: supporting child-led movement
- small group discussions
- whole group feedback
- video and photographs of the work in action

- introduction to the quality assurance pack

Who the course is for

Early Years Advisors with DMP trained practitioners in their area.

Cascading to colleagues?

This course does not allow you to cascade training to other advisors or to practitioners in your area.

Course content

- introduction to the course that practitioners have taken including competencies acquired
- a theoretical overview giving a comprehensive background to the development of new practice
- simple definitions of key aspects of the work
- links with the Foundation Guidance for England and Wales
- practical activities that provide a new way of understanding the significance of movement play as an underpinning to all aspects of development, learning and wellbeing
- practical exploration: supporting 'child-led movement play'
- discussion about safety issues and risk assessment
- getting to know the Quality Assurance guidance that practitioner and manager will be using; plus further guidance for advisors

Attendance and certificate

A certificate of attendance is given to participants with 100% attendance.

Tutors

All training courses are run by experienced movement practitioners who ground their teaching in practical work with the appropriate client group. JABADAO has worked closely with early years advisors since the launch of the DMP approach in 2002. We have piloted this course with an advisory team and continue to test materials that will enable advisors to support good practice in DMP.

What to wear

Come ready to move - loose, comfortable trousers for preference.

To book

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About JABADAO

JABADAO is the national advisory agency that helps people think radically about the role of physicality in child development, education and lifelong wellbeing.

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