



## BOOK A FREE WORKSHOP

### Early Childhood

INCLUDEnyc's expert staff teaches free workshops at schools and neighborhood organizations citywide. These workshops cover a wide range of disability topics and are designed to meet the most pressing needs of families and professionals.

**Understanding Early Intervention:** Get an overview of services and supports for infants and toddlers with known or suspected developmental delays or disabilities. We will review the Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP), which outlines your family's goals, services, and supports. We'll also share information on the transition to preschool. For children ages 0-3.

**Introduction to Preschool Special Education:** Learn about the timeline for referral, evaluation, services, and preschool placement. We'll also explore the educational rights of children and families, including placement and location of services, and parental roles in the process. For children ages 3-5.

**Understanding the Preschool IEP:** Learn more about special education services for preschoolers, including how to request an evaluation. We'll also discuss how to thoroughly review the Individualized Education Program (IEP) and share strategies to prepare for your IEP meeting. For children ages 3-5.

**Your Kindergarten Guide (Turning 5):** For all children turning five, it's time to prepare for kindergarten. We'll review the kindergarten admissions and special education processes to get you on track for this transition. For children ages 3-5.

**Preschool Busing and Specialized Transportation:** Get information on how to obtain specialized transportation and medical accommodations like limited travel time and climate control. Participants also learn about the role of the bus team, which includes the parent, driver, attendant, and bus paraprofessional. Strategies to resolve issues are also reviewed. For children ages 3-5.

**Advocacy Skills for Parents of Young Children:** Learn how to advocate for your young child with a disability. You will also explore the skills needed to navigate service systems, request evaluations and services, resolve disagreements, and communicate effectively. For children ages 0-5.

**Parenting a Young Child with a Disability:** Learn strategies for effective parenting, behavior management, advocating for a child with disabilities, building a support system, and practicing self care. For children ages 0-5.

**Exploring the Early Years: Understanding Differences in Early Childhood Development:** Participants review child development milestones and what parents should do if they have concerns about their child's development, including age-appropriate characteristics of speech delays, sensory issues, and the autism spectrum. We also discuss how to build a support system, the importance of routines, as well as Early Intervention and the Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE). For children ages 0-5.

**Promoting Positive Behavior in Young Children:** What is a young child trying to communicate with their behavior? Learn about the behavior of young children and the functions of their behavior. We'll also discuss strategies for positive reinforcement and how to prevent and manage challenging behavior at home, in an early childhood program, and in the community. For children ages 0-5.

If you would like to book a free workshop, please contact Rich at **212-677-4650 x11** or **roverton@INCLUDEnyc.org** for more information.