NEAETC Training Modalities Definitions

Note: More than one training modality can be assigned to an event.



Training Modality	Definition	Examples	In- person	Distance- based (live)	Distance- based (archived)
Didactic presentations	In-person or distance-based lecture-type presentations. Learners listen and have the opportunity to ask questions. • Minimum time of 30 minutes • Any number of participants	 Lecture Plenary session at a conference Live webinar (with learners listening only) Archived recording/video 	√	✓	✓
Interactive presentations	In-person or distance-based presentations that allow learners to actively participate. No minimum time Generally, fewer than 40 participants	 Interactive workshop or breakout session Role play Live webinar (with learners actively participating) Online learning module with active participation 	√	√	✓
Communities of practice (CoP)	Group of people who share knowledge to develop a shared practice. CoPs do not need to take place in a geographically defined 'community.' No minimum time Any number of participants	Ongoing workgroup where participants share knowledge and best practices on specific topic areas	√	✓	Not applicable
Clinical preceptorships	Clinical care experiences under the supervision of an experienced provider. No minimum time; spans the length of a relationship between trainee and preceptor Generally, fewer than 5 participants	 Clinical observation of patient care Interaction with patients in a care setting Preceptorship Clinical mentorship Fellowship 	√	✓	Not applicable

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Clinical consultation	Provider-driven interaction between a clinical consultant and a health care professional or team to assist in the diagnosis and/or treatment of a patient. No minimum time One-on-one or small group	•	Provision of expert clinical advice (in-person, telephone, online, or by email) Discussion of real-life current cases (in-person or by remote communication technology)	✓	√	Not applicable
Technical assistance (TA)	Assistance using a consultation style approach to improve HIV service delivery and performance at organizational and individual provider levels. No minimum time Any number of participants	•	Provision of information, resources, advice, and guidance Protocol development Clinic-flow evaluations Writing and revising policies	√	√	Not applicable
Coaching for practice transformation	Activity to increase knowledge, improve attitudes, and build clinical skills to increase capacity across the organization. No minimum time One-on-one or small group	•	Individual or group consultation related to organizational issues rather than clinical cases Assistance with developing, reviewing, and revising clinic policies and procedures	✓	✓	Not applicable