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The Positive Behavior Intervention Certificate (PBI) was developed in response to a growing number of Delaware children requiring more intensive, community-based interventions than have historically been available. The PBI program is designed to build our system’s capacity to address the complex support needs of children with serious behavior disorders.

The PBI Certificate program provides mental health professionals with specialized skills to effectively serve children with challenging behaviors in the community. Participants learn to conduct functional assessments of behavior and to design, monitor, and supervise the implementation of behavior intervention plans based on those assessments. Program faculty present powerful, evidence-based techniques for supporting adaptive, socially appropriate behavior while reducing the occurrence of inappropriate, destructive behavior.

Program Structure
Individuals wishing to attain certification in the PBI program attend three one-day workshops and at least one technical assistance session, prepare discussions of assigned readings, pass a written examination, and complete an applied research project.

Workshops
Principles of Behavior Analysis and Positive Behavior Intervention

Functional Assessment and Behavior Intervention Plans

Behavior Intervention Techniques

Technical Assistance Sessions
Individuals who have taken all three workshops may receive guidance and assistance in implementing Positive Behavior Interventions with actual cases. Participants are guided through a process of identifying and prioritizing problem behaviors, assessing the function of these behaviors, organizing them into functional response classes, and designing, monitoring, and evaluating interventions.

Non-Certificate Training Options
The PBI workshops are open to individuals wishing to obtain the training without pursuing certification.

As space permits, the technical assistance sessions are also open to non-certification candidates who have taken all three workshops. Certification candidates are given priority for space at these sessions.

For more information on the PBI Certificate program or other training and consultation services:

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“Within weeks…I found myself referencing the material both in my work as a therapist and as a clinical supervisor…PBI provides an intense, focused learning experience for the working professional.”

—Elizabeth Clapham, LCSW

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—Valleree Roach, LCSW