

## Facilitation Skills Training Essentials

Competency-based training is a unique approach to training design that builds and enhances individual competencies in line with previously identified profiles of success. This training helps fill the gap between workers' actual performance and their ideal performance. Competency-Based Training Basics shows readers how to assess which competencies are important to an organization and individual positions, and design training around those competencies.

The much anticipated practical educational manual for General Practice (GP) trainers, programme directors, and other teachers and educators in primary care has finally arrived. This extensive, full-colour guide is written by a select group of hands-on educators who are passionate and knowledgeable. The book captures their wisdom and vast experience in an accessible and practical way. Although it's aimed at GP training, there are many chapters in this book that are relevant and transferrable to teachers and educators in areas outside of General Practice (and worldwide). We are sure that GP appraisers, Foundation Year trainers and other medical/nursing student educators will find the detailed comprehensive explorations inspirational. Beautifully presented, the chapters cover a wide educational framework employing a variety of presentational methods such as flowcharts, diagrams, conversational pieces, scenarios and anecdotes. Each chapter has a corresponding webpage containing over 300 additional resources - providing practical tools as well as additional reading material. This book was awarded the Royal College of GP's 'Paul Freeling Prize' in 2013 for meritorious work in the field of General Practice education. It is also used as the foundation textbook for the Postgraduate Certificate in Medical Education (PGCE) in at least seven UK universities. The Essential Handbook for GP Training and Education adopts a relaxed, personable approach to primary care education that won't leave you with a headache.

When it was published in 1994, Roger Schwarz's *The Skilled Facilitator* earned widespread critical acclaim and became a landmark in the field. The book is a classic work for consultants, facilitators, managers, leaders, trainers, and coaches--anyone whose role is to facilitate and guide groups toward realizing their creative and problem-solving potential. This thoroughly revised edition provides the essential materials for anyone that works within the field of facilitation and includes simple but effective ground rules for group interaction. Filled with illustrative examples, the book contains proven techniques for starting meetings on the right foot and ending them positively and decisively. This important resource also offers practical methods for handling emotions when they arise in a group and offers a diagnostic approach for identifying and solving problems that can undermine the group process.

Group work and patient education are vital aspects of improving health outcomes in all settings, by supporting patients and clients to manage their conditions, as well as to promote and support behaviour change for improved health.

Concise, accessible, and easy-to-read, this new title in the popular *How To* series is designed to support nutritionists, dietitians, nurses and other healthcare professionals to facilitate healthy lifestyle change through group education. *How to Facilitate Lifestyle Change* covers the entire group education process, from initial planning, to delivery and evaluation. Topics include agreeing aims and objectives and structuring a session, to considering practical aspects such as setting, managing challenging group members and participant expectations, as well as evaluating and refining a session plan for future use. It also provides an overview of the key evidence base for group learning, relevant theories and models, peer support, and e-learning opportunities. Including case studies to illustrate the real-life application of each topic, practice points, helpful checklists, and a range of practical tips, *How to Facilitate Lifestyle Change* is the ideal resource to support anyone involved in group patient education and facilitation of health behaviour change.

Practical, effective, evidence-based reading interventions that change students' lives *Essentials of Understanding and Assessing Reading Difficulties* is a practical, accessible, in-depth guide to reading assessment and intervention. It provides a detailed discussion of the nature and causes of reading difficulties, which will help develop the knowledge and confidence needed to accurately assess why a student is struggling. Readers will learn a framework for organizing testing results from current assessment batteries such as the WJ-IV, KTEA-3, and CTOPP-2. Case studies illustrate each of the concepts covered. A thorough discussion is provided on the assessment of phonics skills, phonological awareness, word recognition, reading fluency, and reading comprehension. Formatted for easy reading as well as quick reference, the text includes bullet points, icons, callout boxes, and other design elements to call attention to important information. Although a substantial amount of research has shown that most reading difficulties can be prevented or corrected, standard reading remediation efforts have proven largely ineffective. School psychologists are routinely called upon to evaluate students with reading difficulties and to make recommendations to address such difficulties. This book provides an overview of the best assessment and intervention techniques, backed by the most current research findings. Bridge the gap between research and practice. Accurately assess the reason(s) why a student struggles in reading. Improve reading skills using the most highly effective evidence-based techniques. Reading may well be the most important thing students are taught during their school careers. It is a skill they will use every day of their lives; one that will dictate, in part, later life success. Struggling students need help now, and *Essentials of Understanding and Assessing Reading Difficulties* shows how to get these students on track.

Help them make the most out of every meeting. Rambling group discussions, tangential concerns, difficult attendees, and unclear objectives can all derail a facilitated event—and often do. But more than just learning how to avoid the pitfalls, effective facilitators ease the way for groups to achieve desired outcomes, redirect them to constructive paths, and rally commitment to action plans. Expert trainer and facilitator Kimberly Devlin has designed interactive half-day, one-day, and two-day workshops to develop the essential skills of facilitating meetings that inspire, engage, and get results. Complete with all the activities, handouts, assessments, and presentation slides you will need to accelerate learning, these programs make planning your next workshop easy, whether you are new to facilitation or a seasoned pro. About the Series *The ATD Workshop Series* is written for trainers by trainers, because no one knows workshops as well as the

practitioners who have done it all. Each publication weaves in today's technology and accessibility considerations and provides a wealth of new content that can be used to create a training experience like no other.

An updated edition of a best-selling pocket guide to developing a collaborative management process is comprised of facilitation strategies and techniques for promoting leadership at all levels of an organization, providing coverage of topics ranging from prioritizing goals and establishing responsibilities to recognizing achievements and running effective meetings.

This book surveys the state of problem-based learning and assesses the impact of this innovative educational methodology on teaching and research effectiveness across a range of disciplines and in a variety of organizational contexts.

This issue discusses a variety of creative facilitation techniques to be used in training. It is based on the premise that workplace learning happens in a variety of environments, and therefore demands a multitude of training options. These environments include on-the-job training, one-on-one instruction, classroom setting, synchronous online, and asynchronous online. This issue will help you understand which facilitation techniques are best suited for each environment and how to implement each technique. It also provides advice and guidelines for adjusting to sudden changes in a training environment, ensuring the facilitator is always prepared.

When you take on responsibility for other people you need a framework to understand and address how they think, feel and behave. Facilitation provides that framework. It doesn't offer you proscriptive solutions; instead it uses, proven principles and practice to enable you to get the best out of each of the people with whom you are working. As a facilitator, you also need to be able to adapt your style and approach to the situation you are in. This requires good self-awareness and a solid understanding of your role and responsibilities. Once this is in place you can then start to facilitate teams, coach colleagues and train groups effectively. In Anthony Landale and Mica Douglas's *The Fast Facilitator*, the authors have established a format based around both the core skills that facilitators need to develop as well as the issues they will have to face at work. It is divided into three parts - Essential Facilitation, Groups and Team Facilitation and Creative Facilitation - offering material to suit all facilitators whatever their level of expertise. The manual will help you develop your own understanding of facilitation as well as providing interventions and activities that you can use with others. It includes:  $\phi$  Theoretical insights and models to help you understand the dynamics of people management;  $\phi$  Activities, exercises, games and practice sessions which managers or trainers can use with their groups to build skills around work issues;  $\phi$  Coaching ideas and techniques for managers who may want extra guidance when working one-to-one with team members; and  $\phi$  A wealth of techniques, reading sources, inspirational ideas and practical exercises for the facilitator's own self-development. *The Fast Facilitator* illustrates the competencies that practising facilitators need to develop and shows just how this distinctive approach can make a real difference to the way people operate and the outcomes that can be achieved in organizations.

Stop presenting and start facilitating meaningful learning. Whether you are a subject matter expert who occasionally takes on a trainer role, a trainer who wants to build on solid presentation skills, or anywhere in between, *Facilitation Basics* will help you create supportive and effective learning. This complete how-to guide is designed to improve your facilitation proficiency so you can give face-to-face as well as online and virtual classroom learners your best. Part of ATD's Training Basics series, this publication offers practical examples, worksheets, and tools that make workplace learning easy and rewarding. You'll walk away with proven facilitation techniques and a deeper understanding of how to manage difficult participants and use media to support learning. This refreshed second edition will guide you through how to: - enhance your skills as a facilitator - create supportive and effective learning environments for face-to-face and online learners - ensure learning is transferred to the job. About the Training Basics Series ATD's Training Basics series provides a baseline explanation of the theories and concepts behind featured topics, as well as instructions for their practical day-to-day application in the workplace. Additional titles include *Adult Learning Basics*, *Competency-Based Training Basics*, the second edition of *Training Design Basics*, and *Virtual Training Basics*.

Whether you are a subject matter expert who occasionally takes on a training role or a trainer or subject matter expert who wants to build on already solid facilitation skills, *Facilitation Basics* will show you how to how to guide learners and meeting participants in a safe and supportive atmosphere. With its dozens of practical examples, worksheets, checklists, and other tools, this book focuses squarely on learners and participants and how to be an efficient and effective facilitator of well-designed meetings and other learning events.

Completely revised and updated! Develop the skills that are key for becoming a successful team leader! Now in its second edition, *How to Lead Work Teams* shows you step by step, how to develop the powerful facilitation skills that will help make you an outstanding leader, coach, motivator and facilitator. Includes great tools and techniques to help you put these skills into action today! Using Rees's innovative L.E.A.D. model you can become a team leader who: \* Leads with a clear purpose. Articulate your team's goals and purpose and encourage open and thoughtful discussion (including disagreement), brainstorming, and active listening. \* Empowers to participate. Encourage team members to communicate in ways that enhance teamwork and achieve results. \* Aims for consensus. Reach consensus by taking the time for questioning, listening, clarifying, augmenting, summarizing, and documenting. \* Directs the process. Lead the process of communication both inside and outside your team. "The new edition hits the nail on the head. Every employee who works as a member of a team needs to learn facilitation skills. *How to Lead Work Teams* explains and describes skills and practical techniques in a very readable way." --Judith C. Tingley, president, Performance Improvement Pros, Inc.

What makes a training course successful? What is the secret to conducting an effective and memorable training course? What makes a great trainer? Why some training courses are useful, motivating and educational while others are boring



and forgettable? This book provides you with a comprehensive set of guidelines on all aspects of training. The methodologies, scenarios and exercises presented in this book will ensure that you, as a trainer, are equipped with all the tools and skills needed to deliver a great training course. At Skills Converged, we specialise in supporting the training community with our state-of-the-art training materials. Over the years we have delivered numerous courses and have received extensive feedback from trainers who have used our products all over the world. We know what makes a training course successful and what makes one fail. In this book, we share our most treasured findings and experiences with you. We want to help you become the best trainer you can be and in turn, train as many people as possible around the world. Research shows that one of the fastest ways to learn is through examples. This book contains a large number of examples, case studies, and important research in the field of adult education for you to employ. Whether you are teaching soft skills, management, IT, technical courses or arts and crafts, you can benefit from this book as the lessons are applicable to teach any topic. This Second Edition has been extensively expanded with several chapters and now includes the entirety of our highly praised Train the Trainer Self-Study Course. In this book you will learn: - How to get the most from your training courses - How to avoid barriers to learning - How to take advantage of principles of Accelerated Learning - How to conduct a Training Needs Analysis - How to present confidently - How to avoid bad training delivery practices - How to plan your course - How to arrange the training environment optimally - How to keep the delegates constantly engaged - How to respond when you are being challenged - How to avoid poor statements that can hinder learning - How to take advantage of the power of story-telling - How to run training exercises to get the most from them

Now completely updated with 150 pages of new material, this third edition of *The Facilitator's Fieldbook* gives facilitators, organization development professionals, and consultants both a conceptual framework for understanding the facilitation process and the step-by-step procedures, checklists, worksheets, and sample documents to get it right.

A Huffington Post columnist and women's leadership expert outlines practical skills that women can use to implement positive change, covering such topics as self-esteem and how to overcome sabotaging gender rules of conduct. 50,000 first printing.

Written by an international team of authors the *Oxford Textbook of Communication in Oncology and Palliative Care* integrates clinical wisdom with empirical findings. It draws upon the history of communication science, providing the reader with a comprehensive curriculum for applied communication skills training. An essential resource, the *Oxford Textbook of Communication in Oncology and Palliative Care* is filled with tips and strategies for effective communication about difficult and challenging communication. In focusing on cancer and the end-of-life, it deals with the existential and spiritual challenges found across all of medicine, providing deep insights into what is at stake and how clinicians might optimally respond. This authoritative and wide-ranging book provides clinicians with state-of-the-art and evidence-based guidelines to achieve effective, patient-centred communication in the clinical settings of oncology and palliative care. Thoroughly revised and updated, this new edition includes sections on the curriculum for nurses, the core curriculum, and an introductory section on communication science. The chapters embrace specialty issues across the clinical disciplines, from enrolling in clinical trials, working in teams, and discussing genetic risk, to talking about sexuality, infertility, and intercultural issues. An educational perspective is also provided, with chapters covering communication skills training, how to evaluate courses, and international models of training.

T-Kits are a product of the Partnership Agreement on European Youth Worker Training run by the European Commission and the Council of Europe. Most publications in the series look at particular topics but this one, T-Kit 6 concentrates on the training process itself. The topics covered are: the context of training including matters such as roles, ethics and competencies; training in teams; the process of educational and logistic planning; the process that emerge in action and what they mean to individuals and groups; what should happen after training to facilitate a long-term effect.

World renowned facilitation, group and meetings dynamics guru explains how to run great meetings. Dr Dale Hunter's classic guide includes all the latest findings and research on facilitation. Written by an international expert, it's the go-to sourcebook for people involved in human resources, management, mediation, team leadership, performance management and individual and team coaching. If you're someone who is responsible for effective group and inter-personal dynamics, this is the Bible. "Interpersonal dynamics can unravel the best of managerial intentions. Worse still, a little knowledge in untrained hands can lead to managers manufacturing consent and manipulating people to agree to management goals. Hunter's book is a sobering reminder of how many managers, directors and business leaders are stumbling about in the dark with very few skills when it comes to unlocking individual and group potential. ... *The Art of Facilitation* will sit comfortably on the bookshelf of anyone wanting to learn more about harnessing group energy to attain a common goal." Ruth le Pla, *Management Magazine*, May 2007

It's a digital world; is your training up to speed? Build your virtual training skills with this new edition of *Virtual Training Basics* by Cindy Huggett. You don't have to be a tech wizard to follow her tested and proven techniques for enhancing your virtual training design and delivery. E-learning has been around since the late 90s, but it continually evolves. Sometimes, it may seem impossible to keep up—but your learners need courses that they can take anywhere, organizations need to save money and time on travel, and everyone expects your material to be as current as possible. Take it back to the basics. *Virtual Training Basics* will get you started with the fundamentals of virtual training, and then build you up through design and facilitation, with updated material and two new chapters to cover the latest breakthroughs and skills you need to know. In this book, you will: - Get tips from a variety of seasoned virtual trainers. - Gain insight into the differences (and similarities) between facilitating in-person training and virtual training. - Understand the fundamentals of virtual training design. Whether you're new to virtual training or looking for ways to update your existing skills, *Virtual Training Basics*, 2nd edition, will take you there.

*Training Intelligence* book has been designed for trainers, managers, entrepreneurs, teachers, and professionals who are interested in developing inspiring and effective training and facilitation skills. These skills are very essential to make a strong team and to lead an organization to the height of success with the help of the team. This book will help you learn and understand the very essential details that are needed for the training of a team working for an organization. In this book, you will learn the most vital concepts and gain knowledge that will help you learn to design a framework for training your team. The skills that you learn through this book will enable you to become a great leader in your workplace. Keeping the fact in view that the success of an organization lies in how the leaders of a particular organization train their teams to guarantee their efficiency at work so that they achieve maximum productivity. Not everyone can deliver effective training as it requires a lot of skills. The book has been divided into seven sections. Section -1 covers concepts of training and development and differences between them, and in section-2 you will go through the roles and qualities. You will learn how you can design content in section-3. Section-4 will take you through effective communication and learning styles of the learners and in section-5 you will learn key facilitation skills. In section-6 you will go through designing training feedback and evaluating training programs. The book also includes section-7 which covers online content delivery due to the recent drastic shift to online learning due to COVID19. Each section has a different chapter dedicated to the

most important area of training to help you understand it well and develop highly effective training and facilitation skills. This book will help you learn how you can develop skills to be the best and be a very effective and inspiring trainer that will in turn help your organization or client grow and increase its employee's productivity. In this book you will learn; - TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT - DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT - UNDERSTANDING TRAINING FROM LEARNERS PERSPECTIVE- TRAINER ROLES AND QUALITIES - TRAINING NEEDS ASSESSMENT FOR CONTENT DESIGN - TRAINING FOUNDATION PRINCIPLE - DESIGNING LEARNING CONTENT AND UNDERSTANDING EFFECTIVE CONTENT DELIVERY - LEARNING STYLES OF LEARNERS - EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION- HANDLING DIFFICULT AUDIENCE - UNDERSTANDING FACILITATION AND ITS PROCESS - PRESENTATION, FACILITATION AND TRAINING SKILLS - KEY FACILITATION SKILLS - FACILITATOR KEY ROLE - DESIGNING AND CONDUCTING TRAINING FEEDBACK - TRAINING MONITORING AND IMPACT EVALUATION - ONLINE CONTENT DELIVERY

Facilitation Skills Training Association for Talent Development

Who are going to be keenest to use what they've just learned; the people you told, or the people you helped work it out for themselves?

Which change is going to deliver the fastest results; the one that was imposed or the one that you helped a team develop and agree for itself?

Facilitation is an essential skill for learning professionals and managers who want to deliver lasting and productive results. As a facilitator you can maximise performance by tapping into the experience, potential and enthusiasm of an organisation's people. By empowering individuals and teams to take responsibility for their own learning and achievements you can dramatically increase their chances of success. Frances and Roland Bee discuss the role, skills and processes of group facilitation and show you how to: - refine core skills such as rapport building, active listening and effective questioning - design learning events that are really learner-centred - use practical techniques for getting groups started, generating ideas and solving problems - overcome concerns about loss of control - handle challenging situations such as lack of engagement, cynicism and anger. One of the most valuable people in any organisation is the one who can help others solve problems, change and develop. This book gives you the skills to become that facilitator.

Master frameworks, techniques, and tools for conducting meetings, leading sessions and workshops, and transferring knowledge through education and training. In addition to focusing on proven methods, this book contains many new and innovative ideas developed through decades of the author's experience. There are 12 chapters: • Chapter 1, Facilitation Framework, classifies all facilitation types into four generic categories: Strategies and Solutions, Programs and Processes, Learning and Development, and Cooperation and Collaboration. • Chapter 2, Value Proposition, leverages the Career Steps Framework to prove the return on investment of facilitation skills and competency. • Chapter 3, Facilitation Process, explains each phase of the facilitation process: Contract, Prepare, During Session, Conclude, and Evaluate. • Chapter 4, Facilitation Leadership, explores Napoleon Hills' eleven factors of leadership, along with values, ethics, and competencies established by the International Association of Facilitators. • Chapter 5, Engagers and Energizers, reveals the art and science of educating and transferring learning to adults and optimizing the engagement of session participants using Dr. Howard Gardner's Multiple Intelligences. • Chapter 6, Tools, introduces the foundational technique of brainstorming and shows how to use 35 handy facilitation tools for a variety of situations including problem solving, group dynamics, and storytelling. • Chapter 7, Workshop Environment, outlines facilitation-friendly principles followed by guidance on room set up, various seating patterns, equipment, food, and supplies. • Chapter 8, Virtual Facilitation, provides suitable alternatives to face-to-face facilitation using practical techniques in four key areas: Engagement, Relationship, Communication, and Technology. • Chapter 9, Cross-Cultural Facilitation, introduces proven techniques for how to facilitate learning transfer and effective collaboration across cultures through the application of Dr. Geert Hofstede's dimensions of cross-cultural communication. • Chapter 10, Visual Facilitation, introduces the power of Visuals and Graphics Recording as a tool for effective collaboration and communication in organizational settings. • Chapter 11, Self-Development, provides guidelines on how to develop your facilitation competency and track your progress. This chapter concludes with the author's own journey on becoming an accomplished facilitator. • Chapter 12, Tools Library, outlines a step-by-step approach along with templates and examples where each of the 35 tools from Chapter 6 can be successfully leveraged. The book concludes with a section on facilitator and trainer resources. Good facilitation is often the difference between a meeting that delivers outputs and actions, and one that delivers breakthrough solutions and results. Artie Mahal, who is a master facilitator and trainer, has delivered an easy to read book that describes the science and art of effective facilitation. He offers insights, techniques, tools, and knowledge that anyone can use to improve their facilitation and training skills. Paul Marabella Vice President & Chief Information Officer K. Hovnanian Companies, LLC USA In this book Artie has brought together a great collection of tools, techniques and advice that provides a sound basis for anyone looking to become a more engaging and effective facilitator. Phil Short IT Director, Speaker, Business Process Practitioner Canada Artie Mahal used his wealth of experience in process management to create an easy to read book and a process to follow for any facilitator and trainer. The book contains valuable tools, templates, checklists, methodology, and a framework. He created a great framework structure for any facilitated session to deal with various business issues such as strategies, processes, projects, and team cooperation and collaboration. Bassam A. AlKharashi Director of Business Innovation Services, ES Consulting Saudi Arabia Artie Mahal has taken a difficult and often misunderstood skill and made it easy to learn for the professional and novice alike. As a skilled facilitator for the past twenty-five years, this book has helped me "sharpen the saw" with new tools and concepts to help tackle any business challenge. For the novice facilitator, this book is an excellent guide as Mr. Mahal provides in-depth background and context for each facilitation concept before diving in with tools, tips, and techniques to master that concept. Jeffrey Diton BPTrends Certified BPM Professional, Business Process Center of Excellence Director USA Knowledge in any form aims to bring transformation. Mr. Mahal has articulated his own experience and training skills in form of this book as an endeavor to share his expertise and bring transformation in many lives. Today, the world is full of challenges and I would say that the challenges are like strangers' appearing on the floor all of sudden. You need to be equipped with all tools and techniques to face such exigencies. For this, either you have to be trained or you must know how to train others to achieve desired goal. This text caters to both requirements. The flow of text is tremendously designed from Framework to proposition, process, Leadership, Engaging, Techniques of training and environment. Each part of the book is thoroughly shaped up and presented in real terms. Dr. Sandhir Sharma Dean, Chitkara Business School, Chitkara University India Artie Mahal has kindly given the blueprint on how to "wow" your audience every time they attend a session. The book in essence lays out practical processes facilitators can follow to ensure learning is happening, collaboration is taking place and your learners will be engaged! After reading this book, you will never facilitate a workshop, training session or meeting ever the same again. Faisal Usta Senior Account Executive in Learning and Development. USA Sooner or later you will have to facilitate. You have two options to get or improve facilitation competence: a) the long and painful trial and error way or b) the short and smart way, namely, using other experiences to prevent the errors, learn the shortcuts and avoid the pitfalls. This is a book for novice and even experienced facilitators. Read it. Use it. Learn from it. Take the short and smart way! Alexandre Magno Vazquez Mello BPM Experts, Partner and CEO Brazil People working together provide the foundation of human achievement. As we continue to move toward work that is more intellectual than physical, unlocking, compiling and harmonizing divergent views toward some common understanding is best accomplished through competent facilitation. This is not easy. In this groundbreaking book, Arjit Mahal moves far beyond a description of tools and techniques by providing a framework for the development of a career and, if desired a successful business in the growing area of facilitation. Dr. Edward Peters Chief Executive Officer, OpenConnect Systems Incorporated USA L.E.T. has changed countless corporations and private businesses-including many Fortune 500 companies-with its down-to-earth communication and conflict resolution skills. Now, this indispensable source has been newly revised with



updated research and timely case studies.

Shows how to make the most of conversations by communicating clearly and forcefully, offering advice on how to overcome barriers to meaningful conversation, confront tough issues, and leverage new skills for frictionless debate. The facilitator's task of opening up discussion, getting ideas into the open and setting broad future direction is essential if a group is to reach consensus on a particular outcome and it is now one of the key techniques used in meetings and workshops. *Facilitation Made Easy* provides a practical introduction to the essential skills needed and will help readers develop a facilitation style that is unbiased and enables control without being overpowering. With detailed examples, proven tips for success, checklists and a self assessment guide to help readers test their own personal approach to facilitation, the book will help readers to:

- Understand the facilitator's role
- Develop the ideal structure for workshops and meetings
- Control agendas and help to focus the outcome of meetings
- Deal with difficulties.

This third edition also includes a new chapter on facilitating virtual meetings, explaining the mechanics of virtual teams, the pros and cons of virtual meetings, use of technology and tips on setting up, facilitating and participating in virtual meetings

Your essential guide to designing successful training programs. If you're an experienced trainer, training manager, content designer, or curriculum developer, *Technical Training Basics* will help you tackle the challenges of working with specialized, complex subject matter and in partnership with subject matter experts. Part of ATD's Training Basics series, this complete guide describes the differences between technical and nontechnical training; the principles of gathering information and arranging content for a highly technical course; how to apply specific tools, equipment, and processes in your training; and how to manage your project from designing and developing a pilot course through post-course review. This expanded second edition features new material that focuses on:

- smaller performance solutions
- Agile design
- the learner experience.

More exercises, outlines, worksheets, checklists, evaluation forms, and a sample PowerPoint presentation are included to further meet your technical needs.

Introduces a realistic approach to leading, managing, and growing your Agile team or organization. Written for current managers and developers moving into management, Appelo shares insights that are grounded in modern complex systems theory, reflecting the intense complexity of modern software development. Recognizes that today's organizations are living, networked systems; that you can't simply let them run themselves; and that management is primarily about people and relationships. Deepens your understanding of how organizations and Agile teams work, and gives you tools to solve your own problems. Identifies the most valuable elements of Agile management, and helps you improve each of them.

Your training: Do they live it or just love it? How do training professionals show the impact their programs are making? Positive feedback only goes so far in confirming success. And entertainment value, while important, isn't the truest measure of your effectiveness. To find out whether your participants are applying what they've learned on the job, you need a good evaluation strategy—one that connects evaluation to performance, program design, and bottom-line value. Each chapter of *Evaluation Basics* focuses on a critical aspect of developing and implementing an evaluation plan for a face-to-face or virtual training program. You'll not only delve into Kirkpatrick's four levels of evaluation and the methods and instruments you can use, but you'll also get help effectively communicating results. Part of ATD's Training Basics series, the second edition of *Evaluation Basics* offers practical examples, worksheets, and new case studies to further your understanding.

The definitive guide to running productive meetings *Facilitating With Ease!* has become the go-to handbook for those who lead meetings, training, and other business gatherings. Packed with information, effective practices, and invaluable advice, this book is the comprehensive handbook for anyone who believes meetings should be productive, relevant, and as short as possible. Dozens of exercises, surveys, and checklists will help transform anyone into a skilled facilitator, and clear, actionable guidance makes implementation a breeze. This new fourth edition includes a new chapter on questioning, plus new material surrounding diversity, globalization, technology, feedback, distance teams, difficult executives, diverse locations, personal growth, meeting management, and much more. With in-depth, expert guidance from planning to closing, this book provides facilitators with an invaluable resource for learning or training. Before you run another meeting, discover the practices, processes, and techniques that turn you from a referee to an effective facilitator. This book provides a wealth of tools and insights that you can put into action today. Run productive meetings that get real results Keep discussions on track and facilitate the exchange of ideas Resolve conflict and deal with difficult individuals Train leaders and others to facilitate effectively Poorly-run meetings are an interruption in the day, and accomplish little other than putting everyone behind in their "real" work. On the other hand, a meeting run by an effective facilitator makes everyone's job easier; decisions get made, strategies are improved, answers are given, and new ideas bubble to the surface. A productive meeting makes everyone happy, and results in real benefits that spread throughout the organization. *Facilitating With Ease!* is the skill-building guide to running great meetings with confidence and results. *Training Fundamentals* is a no-nonsense, practical overview of training, filled with useful information, best practices, and proven strategies to help both new and experienced trainers develop their skills and design and deliver training that achieves results in today's rapidly changing learning environment. Designed to be easy-to-use, *Training Fundamentals* covers a range of topics, including: How training helps organizations achieve their goals What characteristics and skills a trainer needs to be successful The adult learning principles that guide all successful training programs The basics of designing, developing, delivering, and evaluating training programs Guidelines for becoming a professional trainer The Pfeiffer Essential Guides to Training Basics is a three-volume series—*Training Fundamentals*, *Designing and Developing Training Programs*, and *Delivering Training Workshops*—that offers new and experienced trainers a wealth of ideas, information, tips, tools, and techniques. Praise for *Training Fundamentals* "Training—it sounds so simple, but it's not. This book provides an essential—and practical—foundation for designing and delivering a successful workshop. It's easy to use,

practical, and chock full of insights only a successful trainer knows." —Barbara Nelson, principal of Nelson Communications "With crisp, fresh, and easy to understand language, Chan cuts through all the jargon and provides easy to follow guidelines for becoming a pro." —Terrence L. Gargiulo, president, MAKINGSTORIES.net, and author, Building Business Acumen for Trainers and Trainer's Portable Mentor

'This is another well planned and well organized textbook specifically aimed at students in training as counsellors and psychotherapists, who have already completed an introductory course' - British Journal of Guidance and Counselling 'Richard Nelson-Jones' focus on skilling the client provides a valuable toolkit, making explicit what is implicit in many counselling models. His "Skilled Client Model" provides an excellent substitute for Egan's "Skilled Helper" - Zoë Fitzgerald-Pool, Director of Training & Development, CSCT Limited 'A text which provides trainers and trainees alike with a veritable treasure-house of creative ideas' - Brian Thorne, Emeritus Professor of Counselling, University of East Anglia and Co-Founder, Norwich Centre 'The "skilled client model" is a distinct advance, I think... and very helpful' - Ron Perry, Director, Institute of Counselling, Sydney 'The book is written in a clear and orderly fashion.... Therapy is a process and learning is a process too, and this textbook will undoubtedly assist trainees to move along their own process of learning and becoming reflective and effective practitioners' - Stefania Gribcic, Counselling Psychology Review Essential Counselling and Therapy Skills is written for trainees who are beginning to work with clients under supervision. Building on what has been learnt during introductory courses, the book supports students in the next stage of their practical skills development. Written by leading author, Richard Nelson-Jones, Essential Counselling and Therapy Skills is a step-by-step guide to therapeutic work using the 'skilled client model'. Central to this innovative approach, is the assumption that the skill of counsellors and therapists lies in their capacity to impart skills to clients. The book focuses on: establishing collaborative working relationships; working with clients to find shared definitions of their problems; enabling clients to improve how they think, communicate and act; and dealing with questions of diversity, ethical practice and the value of supervision. Accessibly written, the book contains numerous skill-building activities and case examples, making Essential Counselling and Therapy Skills an ideal textbook for practical skills training in counselling, counselling psychology, psychotherapy and other helping professions.

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Annotation With this book as your guide, you can understand and navigate the process of creating effective technical training programs in partnership with a subject matter expert.

How can the group setting be used to treat those with drug and alcohol problems? Many professionals working across a variety of addictions settings find themselves working in groups and tackling complex issues; however, there is often very little initial training or on-the-job support to help them in this challenging task. Principles and Practice of Group Work in Addictions has been written with the aim of addressing the key areas in working with drug and alcohol misuse while providing practical solutions to the more common problems that emerge in group work. Drawing on the expertise of clinicians who work in the field of addictions, this book offers readers practical advice for everyday practice. Divided into three sections it covers: core group work in addictions practical issues and solutions to common problems specific issues within the field of addictions. Principles and Practice of Group Work in Addictions is illustrated throughout with practical case examples, providing the reader with an insight into group work in this area. The book will supply guidance for mental health professionals including clinicians, psychologists, nurses and medical staff who encounter group work in addictions for the first time, as well as providing further knowledge and support to those who already work in the field.

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