



LoneStar LEND

Leadership Education in Autism and
Neurodevelopmental Disabilities

A collaboration between:

UTHealth
University of Houston
Texas Woman's University
University of Houston - Clear Lake
Baylor College of Medicine

Components of **Medium-Term** LoneStar LEND Program (abridged)

1. LEND Orientation:
 - Held 10am - 12pm within 2 weeks of your acceptance as a MTT
2. LEND Seminars
 - September – June: Fridays 9:00am – 4:45pm
3. LEND Conference
 - Early Spring (Thursday – Friday); Houston, TX

Program Requirements for **Medium-Term** LoneStar LEND Trainees

The mission of the LoneStar LEND Trainee program is to create leaders in the field of Autism Spectrum and other Neurodevelopmental Disabilities (ASD/ND) within an interdisciplinary training model focusing on cultural competence and evidence-based practice. During their appointment, each LEND Medium-Term Trainee (MTT) will complete a total of **40-299 hours** of training and learning activities including:

- LEND Didactic Seminars
- Conference Participation

MTTs Trainees are permitted to create their own learning experience, however, their program must span **no more than 5 months** (e.g. November - April: Attend 24 seminars Nov - Feb + Attend LoneStar LEND Conference = 52 hours of training)

LEND Didactic Seminars

Seminars will be held on Fridays throughout the tenure of your LEND appointment. For a sample of the previous year's didactic seminar calendar, visit www.LoneStarLEND.org.

Seminars will occur mainly at the UTHealth University Center Tower (UCT), 7000 Fannin St; however some may be scheduled at the McGovern Medical School (MSB), 6431 Fannin or the UTHealth School of Nursing (SON), 6901 Bertner. Three or four 90-minute sessions are scheduled each day: 9:00 – 10:30AM; 10:45 – 12:15PM, 1:30 – 3:00 PM, and 3:15 – 4:45pm.

Which seminars each MTT will attend is at the discretion of each MTT; MTTs must inform the Program Coordinator which seminars they plan to attend during their LEND tenure prior to starting the program.

LEND Conference Participation

MTTs are granted complimentary entry to the annual LoneStar LEND conference held in the early Spring (exact date TBD).