

LoneStar LEND

Leadership Education in Autism and
Neurodevelopmental Disabilities

Medium Term Trainee Application

Documents to Submit

- Current CV or résumé
- Application
- Responses to application questions

Please return application materials to:

Prisca Tihfon

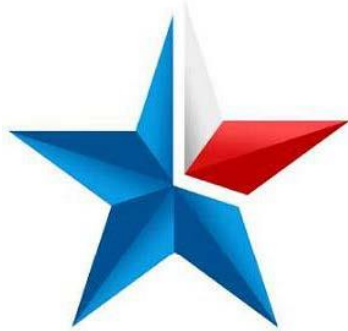
Email (preferred): Prisca.Franklin@uth.tmc.edu -OR-

Mail: Prisca Tihfon | LoneStar LEND | 6410 Fannin St. Suite 732 | Houston, TX 77030

You will receive a confirmation email when your application is received. **If you do not receive a confirmation email within 3 business days of submitting your application, please call 713.500.3637.**

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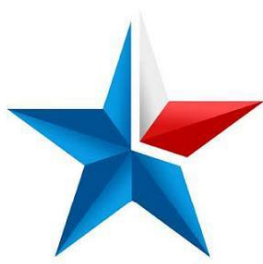


Medium Term Trainee Program Requirements

1. Attend LEND Orientation (held 10am – 12pm within 2 weeks of your acceptance as an MTT)
2. Attend **minimum of 12** didactic seminars on Fridays (September – May)
3. Attend LoneStar LEND Conference (held early Spring in Houston, TX; usually Thursday – Friday)

Optional:

4. View leadership DVDs and complete leadership readings
5. Attendance at:
 - a. Leadership Weekend
 - b. Cultural Competency Training
 - c. Poverty Simulation



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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:
 - a. Held 10am - 12pm within 2 weeks of your acceptance as an MTT
2. LEND Seminars
 - a. September – June: Fridays 9:00am – 4:45pm
3. LEND Conference
 - a. 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 Disorder and other Neurodevelopmental Disabilities (ASD/DD), utilizing an interdisciplinary training model focused 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
- Optional Leadership & Cultural Responsiveness trainings

LEND Didactic Seminars

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

Seminars will occur mainly at the UTHealth University Center Tower (UCT, 7000 Fannin; 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 early Spring (exact date TBD).



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Contact Information

Name: _____

Local Address: _____ Permanent Address (if different from Local): _____

Home Phone: _____ Day Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

What is the best way to contact you?

Home Phone

Day Phone

Cell Phone

Email

Demographic Information

Gender: Male Female US Citizen? Yes No

Texas Resident? Yes No

Ethnicity: Hispanic/Latino Not Hispanic/Latino

Race: Black or African American American Indian/Alaska Native Asian
White Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

Current Education (if applicable)

Current Degree Program:

College/University: _____ GPA: _____

Program(s) of Study: _____

Advisor: _____ Anticipated Date of Graduation: _____

Anticipated Degree: M.A. M.S. M.Ed. M.S.W. Ph.D. Other: _____

Prior Education

Undergraduate Education:

College/University: _____ GPA: _____

Program/s of Study: _____ Date of Graduation: _____

Degree Earned: B.A. B.S. B.Ed. B.S.W. Other: _____

Graduate Education:

College/University: _____ GPA: _____

Program/s of Study: _____ Date of Graduation: _____

Degree Earned: M.A. M.S. M.Ed. M.S.W. Other: _____

Employment

Current Employer: _____

Job Title: _____

Start Date: _____

Hours/Week: _____

MTT Trainee Application Questions

Directions: Please answer each question below. Your answers can be as long or as short as you choose. Answers should be typed and attached to the application packet for final submission.

1. A large part of the LoneStar LEND initiative are the didactic seminars that take place throughout the day on Friday's from 9:00am – 4:45pm. There are typically three per day, each lasting 90 minutes with a break in between each. Would you be able to attend a minimum of 12 of these seminars, based on your schedule?
2. Tell us a bit about yourself. This can include country of origin, hobbies, family life, achievements, etc.
3. Please explain why you have an interest in applying as a Medium Term Trainee for the LoneStar LEND Program. Specifically, explain your interest in the field of autism and/or neurodevelopmental disabilities.
4. What personal experiences have you had with individuals with disabilities or chronic health conditions?
5. This program requires a minimum of 40 hours and a maximum of 299 hours. How will you properly manage your time to meet the requirements of being a Medium Term Trainee? Please take into consideration current employment, academic or familial responsibilities.
6. As a LEND trainee what strengths do you bring? What do you anticipate as potential challenges? What are your expectations of the program?
7. Is there any other information about yourself you'd like to share with us?