VT LEND Teaching Session

**WHAT IS VT LEND**

Vermont's Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities is a training program about improving systems of care for children and youth with Autism and other neurodevelopmental disabilities such as Down syndrome, cerebral palsy, and intellectual disability.

**WHAT DOES VT LEND DO**

- Trains professionals, self-advocates and family members to become leaders and change systems
- Teaches about neurodevelopmental disabilities, leadership, person- and family-centered care, interdisciplinary collaboration, cultural and linguistic competence, and policy and systems change.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

Since 1995, VT LEND has graduated:

- 193 Long Term Trainees (300+ hours)
- 341 Medium Term Trainees (40-299 hours)
- 379 Short Term Trainees (under 40 hours)

In 2018-2019 alone, VT LEND presented their work 23 times at national conferences, 35 publications and 127 trainings.

**WHAT OUR TRAINEES SAY**

"I am a better advocate, mother and citizen because of the incredible exposure I received through LEND."

**Family Fellow, Graduated 2017**

"The training and mentorship I received...helped me understand the cultural, social, and economic issues affecting access to health care as well as how I can be an ally and advocate for the children and families I work with on a personal level as well as on a local and national scale."

**Occupational Therapy Fellow, Graduated 2017**

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- Learn more about VT LEND by visiting the website below.
- Call our office at (802) 656-0204.

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