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BR GLOBAL NETWORK

Unity in diversity - strength in difference



<u>INCLUDE</u>

INCLUDE is an <u>online training</u>

<u>program</u> based on the <u>CBR</u>

<u>guidelines</u>. It is for those who work in

Community Based Rehabilitation

(CBR).

This online platform is also to augment existing training programs that are already being offered. Policy makers, those promoting inclusion and other interested entities can benefit from INCLUDE.

It is developed and produced by the World Health Organization (WHO).

INCLUDE: A Community-Based Rehabilitation (CBR) learning community

Like the guidelines, INCLUDE has 8 modules. It provides tools to assist learners to reflect on their own experience.

Case studies portray children and adults with different disabilities living in the community accessing education, livelihood and other key areas in different settings including in resource-scarce locations - thus opening the learner to new possibilities.

INCLUDE invites the
learner to develop
management action plans
to implement the five
components and
corresponding elements
of the CBR matrix.
These action plans can
be stored and built on
over time, and shared
with others in the CBR
community.

What INCLUDE is NOT:

- A top-down instructional replacement for local level learning groups.
- A learning programme to be used by individual practitioners in isolation.

<u>Learning Companions</u> <u>for INCLUDE:</u>

Who can apply?

- CBR professionals, grassroots
 community leaders, advocates, and
 professionally trained individuals from
 a wide range of disciplines who are
 practicing community-based
 rehabilitation.
- This would be an amazing opportunity for you to connect with other CBR practitioners taking this course from across the globe. You will be critical partners in ensuring the CBR practitioner's success in reflecting the virtual learning journey. You can create learning opportunities through the discussion forum, where you can discuss the course or debate the ideas.

Purpose:

- To provide support to CBR
 practitioners who are integrating
 online modules from INCLUDE into
 their local learning curriculum.
- To help match INCLUDE modules with the interests of specific groups.

Prerequisites:

- Part of a network that includes people
 with experience in CBR or in one of the
 focus areas of INCLUDE i.e. CBR values
 and belief system, introduction,
 management, health, education, livelihood,
 social, empowerment, and supplementary.
- Very good to excellent internet accessibility.
- Familiar with INCLUDE modules.

<u>Expectations:</u>

- Be accessible and available to support the learners of the INCLUDE course.
- Be flexible as groups select INCLUDE modules based on interest.
- Be focused on real learning at the local level based on experience and discussion.
- Support from the INCLUDE
 Coordinator from CBR Global
 Network and Vidya Sagar.
- Online presence does not require travel.
- Remuneration It is a <u>voluntary</u> role, not a paid position.
- Commitment A commitment of 5
 hours per week (I day x I hour).
 Hours may be increased in
 response to an increase in learner
 enrollment.

Profile:

- Development practitioners with experience in implementing CBR by using a holistic learning framework.
- A passion for the CRPD and for CBR/INCLUDE as tools to help implement it.
- A positive and enthusiastic approach to diversity and inclusion.
- Knowledge of CBR and INCLUDE modules.
- Ability to help others learn online in a supportive and effective way.

<u>Responsibilities:</u>

The Learning Companion will be responsible for the following:

- Connecting with CBR
 practitioners who wish to
 incorporate INCLUDE in their
 training and practice.
- Collaborating with other learning companions to share how INCLUDE supports CBR workers/volunteers.
- Composing brief reports (oral or written) of INCLUDE support – important conversations.
- •Share reports with the INCLUDE Coordinator every month.

We are looking for learning companions from across the globe.



Deadline for application:

Please apply with your resume on or before 31st March 2024 to include coordinator@vidyasagar.co.in

