

California Department of Developmental Services Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) Last Updated: July 2025

# DIRECT SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL TRAINING (DSPT)

The Direct Support Professional Training (DSPT) is a competency-based training program that is mandatory for all Direct Support Professionals (DSP) working in licensed community care facilities vendored by regional centers. The DSPT is divided into two equal segments of 35 hours each to be completed in successive years for a total of 70 hours. DSPs who are mandated to meet the training requirement, may opt to meet it by passing the Challenge Test for each 35-hour training program. Any questions or concerns, email <u>ccfdsp@dds.ca.gov</u>.

- Q1. How do I create an <u>account</u> in the eDSPT system so I can register to the DSPT 1 and 2 training?
- A1. Visit the eDSPT website at <u>https://www.dsptrain.org/Account/Login</u>, locate and click the "Create Account" button as shown on the image below.

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Sign-in to your	account.	
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• You will then be prompted to enter your personal email, create a password and select if you are a Direct Support Professional or and Administrator/Licensee. (see image below)

eDSPT Home Con	tact
Create Accou Once you have created confirm your account. to register for a class.	<b>nt.</b> d an account you will receive an email notification with a link to Once you have confirmed your account, you may now be able
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Password	Your password must be at least 6 characters and must contain the following: - at least one capital and one lowercase letter - at least one number - at least one special symbol (I,@,#,\$,%,^,&,+)
Confirm password	Are you a Direct Support Professional or a Vendor/Regional Center Administrator?  Direct Support Professional Administrator/Licensee Continue
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- You will then receive an email notification with a link to confirm your account. Please check your email for this link.
- Once you click on the link, you will be prompted to enter in your information. Please
  note this information must belong to the DSP solely and not the information of the
  facility and/or administrators.
- After completing this process, your account is now active and you may now register for a class.

#### Q2. How do I reset my eDSPT account password?

- A2. Please follow the steps below to reset your password:
  - On the eDSPT login page <u>https://www.dsptrain.org/Account/Login</u>, the screen below will populate and then please click on "Forgot your password?"

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- You will then need to follow the prompts to reset your password.
- Once completed, return to the eDSPT login page at <u>https://www.dsptrain.org/Account/Login</u> and enter your email and new password.

#### Q3. How can I get a copy of my training certificate or certification letter?

- A3. Please follow the steps below to obtain a copy of your training certificate or certification letter.
  - Visit the <a href="https://www.dsptrain.org/Account/Login">https://www.dsptrain.org/Account/Login</a>, enter your email and password, and click the Log in button
  - Once you've successfully signed in, locate and click the "My DSP Portal".

eDSPT Home Contact My DSP Portal
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Welcome to the California Department of Developmental Services I The Department has established a competency-based training prog support staff (and administrators who provide direct support) workin The Direct Support Professional (DSP) Training is based upon core satisfactory job performance. The training and tests are offered at n options below.
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• Once in your portal you will see your enrollment history. Click on the blue button next to each completed course to download and print your certification letter.

Download Certification Letter	Download Attendance
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- Q4. I need my certificate for my employer; does the certification letter qualify as a certificate?
- A4. Yes, the certification letter is the same as the certificate.

- Q5. Where do I get a vendor number from so I can register for the DSPT 1 and 2 training?
- A5. Please reach out your employer or administrator and ask them for their vendor number.
- Q6. I opened up a new facility / I am a new vendor, how do I go about setting up my vendor number on the eDSPT system to allow my staff register for the DSPT 1 and 2 training?
- A6. Please email the helpdesk at: <u>ccfdsp@dds.ca.gov</u> to register your vendor number in the eDSPT system. You will need to provide a copy of the documentation given by your regional center that includes the vendor number, name of the facility, name of the licensee/administrator and contact information.

#### Q7. How do I register to a DSP Training Year 1 or Year 2 class?

- A7. Sign in to your eDSPT account. You should see your name or email on the top righthand portion of your screen if you are signed in.
  - From here you will select the training you are looking to register for by selecting the blue button below: Register for Year 1 or Register for Year 2.

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VIRTUAL TRAINING: IMPORTANT I (Click Here)	NFORMATION and TRAINING MATE	ERIALS!
Year 1 Training/Challenge If you have not attended the Year 1 D3P training or have ned passed the Year 1 test, you can register for a Year 1 course or challenge lest in your area here. Register For Year 1 a	Year 2 Training/Challenge	Get Test Results Direct Support Professionalis and community care facility vendors can sign or register to get test results, print certificates or review trainee attendance here. Get Test Results *

- The next screen that will appear will display all the available trainings for both inperson classes and virtual classes. *Please take caution to notice if the class is inperson or if it is virtual.*
- Click on the blue button to register for a class and follow the instructions. Please see below:

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Туре	Meeting Dates	Meeting Days	Meeting Time	Trainer	
DSP Year 2 Training	08/25/2025 - 08/30/2025	Mo,We,Th,Fr,Sa	09:00am - 04:30pm	Trainer Name	Registration Opens: 07/26/2025 at 8:00am
DSP Year 2 Training	07/21/2025 - 07/26/2025	Mo,We,Th,Fr,Sa	09:00am - 04:30pm	Trainer Name	Register
DSP Year 2 Training	07/25/2025 - 07/30/2025 07/31/2025 - 07/31/2025	Fr,Mo,Tu,We Thursday	09:00am - 05:30pm 09:00am - 12:00pm	Trainer Name	Register

• Once your registration is complete, you will receive further instructions directly from the trainer approximately 5 days before the training starts.

# Q8. I registered for a class, now what do I do?

A8. Approximately, **5 days before the class is to begin**, the trainer of the class will email you a welcome letter and it will include a link to the zoom class where you will meet with your instructor and classmates each day. In the welcome letter there will also be links to download the materials needed for the course.

# Q9. My vendor number keeps coming up as invalid, what do I do?

A9. This is likely because the vendor number has not yet been registered in our online system. Please notify your administrator/employer to email us at <a href="https://ccfdsp@dds.cca.gov">ccfdsp@dds.cca.gov</a> so they can register the facility's vendor number in the system.

# Q10. What if there is not a class that is works with my schedule?

A10. Please continue to check the website frequently as schedules are updated often.

# Q11. Am I eligible to take the Challenge Test?

A11. So long as this is your first attempt to meet either the Year 1 or Year 2 training Requirement, then yes you may register for the Challenge test. If you took the entire 35-hour training and did not pass, then you may not register for a Challenge Test. If you attempted the Challenge Test and were not successful then you will be required to enroll in the full 35-hour training course.

## Q12. If I pass the Challenge test, do I still have to take the full 35-hour training?

A12. DSPs who are mandated to meet the training requirement, may opt to meet it by passing the Challenge Test for each 35-hour training program. Those who pass the Challenge Test for either segment will not be required to take that specific training segment.

## Q13. Is this training offered in Spanish?

A13. Currently, the training is conducted in English only.

## Q14. I didn't get a zoom link for the virtual class.

A14. The instructor will email you a welcome approximately **5 days** before the class begins and the zoom link will be included in the welcome email. If you did not receive the welcome letter, please check your spam/junk account. Should you need further assistance **please do not wait until the day of the training to seek help**, please email us at <u>ccfdsp@dds.ca.gov</u> for further assistance.