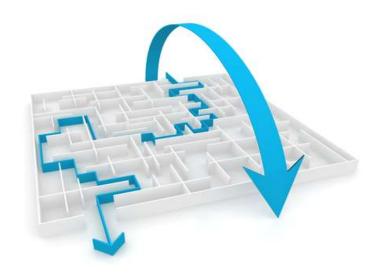
How to Navigate the Maze of Online Learning... Especially During a Pandemic!



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A little about us...





A little about YOU...

Who is on the webinar? Which of the following best describes your role?

- Early education program/center director, assistant director, or education coordinator
- Early education teacher or assistant teacher
- Early education program mentor/coach
- State/regional PD decision maker
- eLearning developer or consultant
- Subject matter expert
- Vendor
- Other????



What do you hope to learn today?

Our Objectives Today



- Explore components of high quality online professional development
- Learn the components of high quality online professional development
- Discuss utilizing online professional development to support early childhood education
- Test drive the Quorum eLearning system (special pricing through NCCA membership)

What is online learning????



- Webinars
- Asynchronous Courses

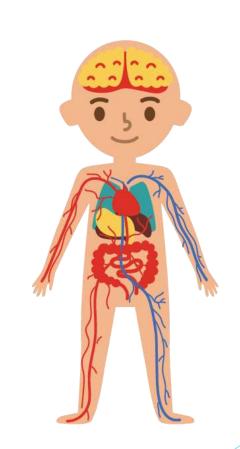
(No facilitator...on your own time)

- Synchronous Courses
- Other???

If you were told you had to use online learning in your early education program, how would you feel?

Especially during the pandemic!

- Excited?
- Scared?
- Anxious?
- Overwhelmed?
- ????



Online learning experiences to date.....

Positives

Challenges



Top Three Tangible Values of Online Learning:



COST

CONVENIENCE

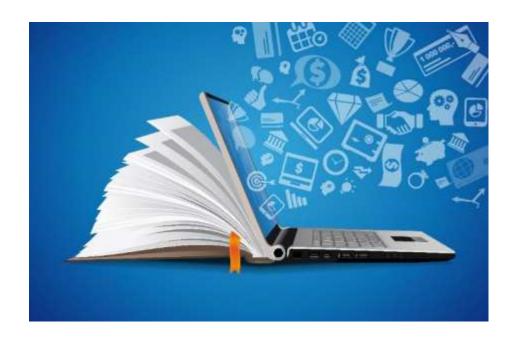
CONSISTENCY

What to Look for in Quality Online Professional Development



What features should you look for in quality online learning?

What does it look like???



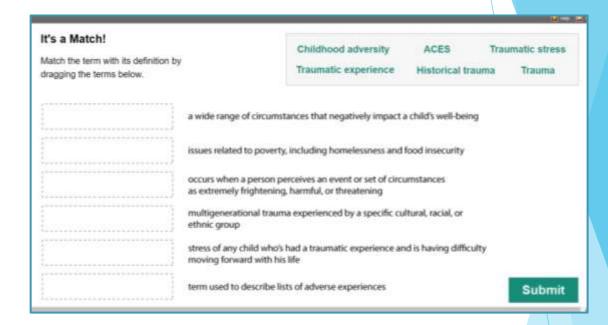
- Engagement
- Content
- Technology
- Credit
- Accountability
- Tracking
- Implementation
- Customer Support
- Cost
- Overall Value

Engagement

- Is it interactive?
- Does it hold your attention?

Content

- Is the information research-based?
- Where did it come from?





Technology

- Is the technology user-friendly?
- Easy to navigate?
- Available 24/7 (in a pandemic)?
- Secure (password protected)?

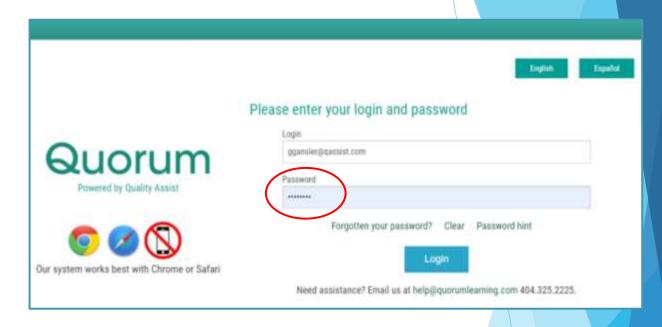
Credit

- Does the provider issue CEUs?
- State training hours?



Accountability

- Are their knowledge assessments?
- Certificates?





Tracking

- Can administrators track completions?
- Is there a system for lost certificates?

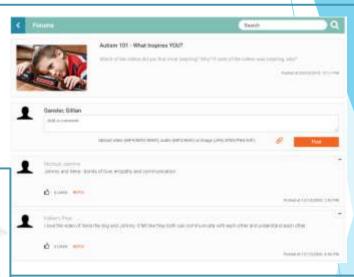
Implementation

- What happens after the training?
- Can the eLearning help build community?
- Are there discussions?

Customer Support

- Is there support for customers?
- Bilingual?





Cost

- What is the cost?
- What does the membership fee include?
- Are there group rates offered?

Value

- Is the training worth the time?
- What is the overall value?
- Courses in English and Spanish
- Includes CDA training







What is Quorum?

- Online professional development program
- 24/7 access to library of courses
- 190 hours in English/120 hours in Spanish
- All award CEUs nationwide
- Seven day a week bilingual Help Desk
- Includes courses needed for NECPA credentials (and renewals)



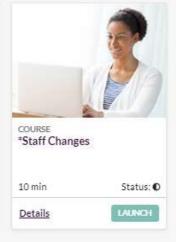
Test Drive Quorum





My Professional Development













View All



National Child Care Association (NCCA) announces partnership with Quorum eLearning



The National Child Care Association (NCCA) has announced a partnership with Quorum eLearning to enable NCCA members to obtain professional development through Quorum to renew their credentials and access online training.

NCCA promotes high quality early childhood education in thousands of licensed child care programs through the National Early Childhood Program Accreditation (NECPA), and awards the Certified Child Care Professional (CCP) Credential and the National Administrator Credential (NAC).

Quorum is a membership program with over 180 hours of high-quality engaging and interactive online training.

Quorum courses are available 24/7 in English and Spanish!











Resources





eLearning That Sticks

Does your eLearning experience invite you to *lean into the learning*; are you sitting back in your chair while you read and listen to audio/video recordings, or are you literally leaning forward into the computer and making choices, manipulating, and interacting with the course material? Are you intellectually curious and does the format awaken an emotional connection with the content? eLearning that sticks draws upon Bloom's Taxonomy of higher order thinking and offers six words that represent important experiences when engaging in eLearning. As with face-to-face professional development, both synchronous and asynchronous eLearning will be transformative when it engages the learner in the following experiences:

- Remember Does the online course provide the opportunity to recognize or recall the facts and concepts; does it invite you to reflect on the material and provide a space for you to record your thoughts? It could be a quiz, multiple choice or true/false questions, a sorting or matching task.
- Understand Does the online course provide you with the tools to compare and contrast information, or to physically reorganize information in a way that promotes and illustrates your comprehension; does it provide you with feedback?
- □ Apply Does the online course provide you with the opportunity and the tools to: ① make choices, ② solve problems, ③ apply new knowledge in different ways, or, ③ use new information to formulate and record a plan of action? For example: create a classroom floor plan, develop a budget, or write an action plan.
- Analyze Does the online course provide the tools to support critical thinking, to break information into parts, analyze elements and the inter-relationship between concepts and new principles. It could be in the form of a survey or poll questions, discussions, or sharing ideas through social networking tools.
- Evaluate Does the online course provide the tools and opportunities to make judgments about information based on the validity of the information or a set of criteria? Maybe in the form of voting; rating information; responding to and/or presenting ideas using discussions, individual or group writing.
- Create Does the online course inspire your creative thinking, does it provide the tools and opportunities to put new ideas together differently, post hypothetical questions, offer new solutions? Maybe in the form of discussions and formulating a hypothesis and designing action plans and/or action research.

Thank you!

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