

MIRA TRAINING AND EDUCATION OFFERINGS

You can request or inquire about trainings <u>here</u> and a MIRA team member will respond promptly.

Bring a training to your organization!

MIRA Coalition offers specially designed trainings and seminars on relevant immigration topics to help bring basic knowledge to your organization or staff. We are often able to adapt our core trainings so that content is most useful for your needs. We can combine up to two of the following topics in a one-hour presentation:

- <u>ABC's of Immigration</u>: This training provides an overview of common immigration statuses, the privileges and restrictions associated with each, and common pathways to obtain legal immigration status including through family and humanitarian protections
- <u>Know Your Rights</u>: This training helps participants understand the basic rights of all individuals, regardless of immigration status and what is accessible in regards to health, education, and interactions with law enforcement
- **Family Preparedness**: This training guides participants through a plan that families can take to prepare for unexpected events like detention or deportation of a family member and introduces a tool to collect helpful information to be used in case of an emergency.
- <u>Best Practices for Immigrant Family Engagement</u>: This training introduces participants to common challenges and barriers of effective service provision to immigrant families and best practices for organizations to follow to build strong, trusting relationships with immigrant clients.
- <u>Understanding the Latest Policy Changes</u>: This training provides accurate, up-to-date information on ongoing immigration policies like the complicated "public charge" rule and other policies that may come up for social service providers.
- <u>**Citizenship 101**</u>: This training provides an introduction for legal services providers on the benefits and barriers to naturalization. It covers the basics on eligibility for naturalization, the application process, the English and civics exam requirements and available exemptions, as well as an overview of derivative citizenship.
- **Legislative Advocacy** 101: This training walks participants through the basics of how a bill becomes a law in Massachusetts and introduces advocacy tools for each step of the process.

Public Charge and Immigrant Access to Benefits: This training helps participants understand immigrant eligibility for state and federal programs based on their immigration status and provides helpful resources for service providers. Benefits for health, housing, and social safety net programs are emphasized.

DOJ Recognition and Accreditation: A special training for MIRA members and other affiliated organizations who wish to provide immigration legal services on the importance of becoming an organization recognized by the Department of Justice, and the requirements for organizations seeking recognition and staff wishing to become Accredited Representatives.

If you are interested in another topic, please feel free to reach out to us and we are happy to explore options or connect you with partner organizations!

You can contact us <u>here</u> to request a training or with any questions.

Cost of Organizational Trainings

The fee for a one-hour training for your organization is \$200. If cost is a barrier to receiving training, please contact us at <u>education@miracoalition.org</u>

MIRA Members organizations are able to request up to two (2) free trainings for their staff or membership in a calendar year.

Attend one of our trainings!

MIRA periodically organizes webinars and trainings on a variety of topics. Check back on <u>this page</u> and follow us on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u> or <u>Instagram</u> for information on any upcoming trainings and registration information!

Every year, MIRA also offers a <u>40-hour immigration law training</u> for individuals working with an organization recognized by the Department of Justice who are interested in becoming Accredited Representatives.