

CLN and Momentum Announce New Partnership FAQs: Financial Literacy Facilitator Training and Curriculum

Who is the Financial Literacy Facilitator and Curriculum training for?

The training is for staff of non-profit, community-based agencies and other institutions who work with vulnerable groups. The curriculum is designed to be used with persons who are typically living on low-incomes and often facing additional barriers (e.g., mental health, addiction, single parent, newcomer, etc.).

I understand CLN and Momentum worked together to create this opportunity?

That's right! We have worked to create an opportunity for all CALPs funded through Alberta Advanced Education to participate in the training and to provide financial literacy to their learners. With this agreement, CLN can continue to support CALPs in pursuing trainings and resources that will help them best meet the needs of learners in their communities, and Momentum can help build the capacity of other agencies to deliver financial literacy education. This education can support your learners in taking control of their finances and their lives.

What is the cost of the training?

CLN has purchased licenses for Momentum's Financial Literacy curriculum and materials that will cover CALPs in each Region, so the cost is just for the fee for our 2-day training which is currently \$350/person. This is a subsidized rate for non-profits and community-based organizations.

Can you tell me a bit more about Momentum's Financial Literacy Curriculum and Training?

Momentum's curriculum contains five core modules and accompanying facilitators' guides: Budgeting, Assets, Banking, Credit/Debt Management and Consumerism. The training also covers facilitation skills, adult learning principles and best practices. A big part of what makes our curriculum unique is that we use a strengths-based, asset-building approach. This approach is grounded in the Sustainable Livelihoods Model. In a nutshell, this model focuses on what people have rather than what they lack and works on strengthening those areas. It is a user-friendly, high-quality curriculum that has been developed based on nearly 20 years of experience working with vulnerable populations.

Are there any materials included in the training?

Absolutely! Upon completion of the course, you will receive your own Financial Literacy binder that includes the five participant modules; five corresponding facilitators' guides; adult learning principles, facilitator tips and more! You will also receive a USB stick with participant modules and copies of all handouts used throughout the training. Everyone who completes the training receives a Certificate of Completion.



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How does the license work?

The licenses held by CLN enable trained CALP staff to use and distribute the copyrighted curriculum to their learners, receive all updates to the curriculum, access ongoing support and participate in community of practice events.

Once trained, would we be able to offer it to our learners?

Certainly! This is what it is designed to do – to be used to help individuals and groups who are using the service of the licensed agency.

Is there a cost to our participants?

There is no cost to your learners; however, you may charge a nominal fee on a cost-recovery basis for workshops. The intent of the program remains that these learning opportunities are accessible to all, especially learners facing social or economic barriers.

Who can deliver the material to clients/participants?

Staff who are working with a CALP covered through the license agreement between Momentum and the CLN, and who have completed Momentum's 2-day facilitator and curriculum training.

Can I train others to deliver Momentum's Money Management curriculum?

Currently the curriculum can only be used by those who have taken the 2-day training through Momentum.

How many other agencies have taken Momentum's Financial Literacy Facilitator and Curriculum Training?

To date, over 100 agencies have been licensed and over 500 staff have participated in the training.

If I leave the employ of my CALP can I continue to use the material?

If you are moving to another CALP that is currently approved through the CLN license agreement, definitely, you can continue to use the material! If you are leaving an eligible CALP or moving to an unlicensed agency, that agency would first need to be licensed through Momentum before you could continue to use the material.

Who holds the license agreement for CALPs?

All participating CALPs will be signatories to the license agreement which is held by CLN. Essentially this means that you (i.e., the CALPs) agree to maintain and uphold the conditions of usage of the copyrighted material as outlined in the license agreement. This is explained during the training (and outlined in detail in the license agreement). Please contact CLN for more information.