

WI LEND: Elevate Care for People with Developmental Disabilities

Wisconsin Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and related Disabilities (WI LEND) is an interdisciplinary training program at the Waisman Center that prepares individuals in over 14 disciplines for leadership and advanced professional practice with the goal of improving the lives of children and their families with neurodevelopmental and related disabilities.

Medical students and physicians can participate in an abbreviated LEND program to gain foundational knowledge, skills, and attitudes related to the care of individuals with developmental disabilities.

- Expand your knowledge about the role of varied disciplines and the relevant systems of care for individuals with developmental disabilities.
- Explore the effect of different legal and health policies on individuals with developmental disabilities and their families.
- Examine the impact of ableism in healthcare and gain strategies to reduce this bias.
- Learn key principles of interdisciplinary and family centered care for individuals with developmental disabilities.



Who can participate:

- **Medical students**
- **Residents**
- **Fellows**
- **Practicing physicians**

Time commitment:

- **8 weeks (2 consecutive modules)**
- **Friday afternoons + independent pre/post work (2-4 hours per week)**

Participation includes:

- **Weekly seminars**
- **Case-based learning groups**
- **Independent readings/ assignments**
- **Other optional training activities based on interest/availability**

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