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## **CVI: Key Considerations, Assessment, and Intervention**

**Presented by: Andrea Montaña**

**February 27 from 4:00 – 5:00 pm (ET) Online**

**Program Description:** During the session, participants will gain the ability to identify visual behaviors linked to Cortical Visual Impairment (CVI) and understand its potential effects on a child's development and daily activities. Additionally, they will learn about the continuous assessment process necessary for children with CVI, enabling them to effectively monitor progress and adjust interventions as needed. Furthermore, the session will cover various interventions tailored to address CVI, including strategies for adapting materials to suit the needs of young children with this condition.

**Guest speaker: Andrea Montaña**, has been working in early intervention in New Mexico for 26 years. She began her work as an occupational therapist and then completed graduate-level coursework in visual impairments after being hired by the New Mexico School for the Blind and Visually Impaired (NMSBVI) in 2006. In addition to home-based service provision for families of babies and toddlers, she has worked in the hospital setting and inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation. Andrea is passionate about helping families understand sensory processing needs and especially how they interrelate with CVI. She is currently an Instructional Lead at NMSBVI, providing mentorship and facilitating group learning circles and reflective supervision.

**Learning Objectives:** Participants will be able to:

- Identify visual behaviors associated with CVI and how CVI can impact a child's development and daily routines.
- Describe the ongoing assessment process for children with CVI.
- Describe CVI interventions, including adapting materials for young children.

**Registration link:** [https://uceducation.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_dipEMZn0Dymq4tM](https://uceducation.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_dipEMZn0Dymq4tM)

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