

HOW DOES A DoS TRAINING LIVE WEBINAR WORK?

Are we really on a computer for 2-days listening to someone talk?

You will be using your computer for 2 days, but this is an interactive training that involves a lot more than just listening!

During the 2-day DoS training you will find:

- Live interactions with a knowledgeable team of trainers (no pre-recorded lectures—the trainers are responding to the group's needs as each dimension is presented).
- A chat function allowing you to ask questions or share ideas with fellow trainees and trainers as you complete training exercises.
- Real-time feedback as trainers read your individual responses to polls and video analysis exercises.
- Phone-based breakout groups, where you can work on training activities with trainees located in other physical locations.

What do I need to participate?

- A computer and high-speed internet.
- A landline or cell phone with mute capabilities (please review how to mute your phone).
- You may NOT use your computer speakers and microphone for this training. Phone lines are necessary to participate in break-out groups. You will be asked to mute your computer speakers.
- Note: If you choose to use a cell phone or a cordless telephone, you will need to be able to charge your phone while using it to participate in training. Keep in mind, trainings are over 4 hours.



What are the technology requirements?

Adobe Connect:

Using Adobe Connect allows you to participate in a live, on-line meeting from anywhere in the world, as long as you have a browser, Flash- Player plug-in, and the Internet.

- If you are using a PC: You may be prompted to download the Adobe Connect software (Free).
- If you are using a Mac: You will be able to join the Adobe Connect training directly.

Hi-Speed Internet:

During the two days of training you will be viewing slides, live chatting, answering polls, and watching videos. For all of this to run smoothly, you will need High-Speed Internet.

Access to YouTube, Vimeo, and TeacherTube:

During training we watch videos from these three websites. You'll want to make sure that there are no firewalls blocking you from viewing these sites before training begins.

Instead of working alone in my office, can I also train with others in the same room or at home?



Sure! You can complete the training at home as long as you meet the technology requirements above OR you can work with others who are also training.

Working in the same room with others who are training:

- If you choose to train as a group in the same location, each trainee will still need to log- in individually and use his/her own computer. You cannot share computers because we track each individual's progress—this is important for the certification process.

- Everyone in the room can share a phone line, however, and can listen to the trainer audio on speakerphone if it works for that space. Individuals should be arranged at a table together near the speaker so that anyone can ask a question and have their voice heard by the trainers and other trainees listening at different locations.
- You may also choose to project the videos on a larger screen so that all participants can watch them together. Be sure to test your speakers and Internet connection beforehand so that you know it will work—trainers will provide links for you ahead of time if you ask.

Should I train in a group or individually?

Both forms of training are acceptable and have advantages:

- **Training Individually and/or at Home:** There is no issue with commuting, finding a central location, setting up tech, renting space, ordering and coordinating food, etc.
- **Training in a Group:** During breakout groups, lunch breaks, and coffee breaks you can share ideas with others and build a community around the DoS work.



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