

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

CORE CO KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE WORKSHOP, FEBRUARY 2024

Where will the workshops be located?

- The workshop in Silver Spring, MD, on Monday, Feb. 26, will be held at the Silver Spring Civic Center Building at Veteran's Plaza.
- The workshop location in Chicago, IL, on Thursday, Feb. 29, is to be determined.
- Registrants will receive additional information as it becomes available.

Who is this workshop targeted at?

- Registration is open to any individual in resettlement involved in the implementation and delivery of Cultural Orientation (CO).

Do I have to pay to attend the workshop?

- This workshop is free of charge.

What should I bring to the CO Knowledge Exchange Workshop?

- Participants are encouraged to bring a notepad and something to write with. Additionally, it may be helpful to bring business cards for networking opportunities.

When is the registration deadline?

- The registration deadline is Friday, January 12. Space is limited at both locations, and spots will be reserved on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Will this workshop be streamed live?

- No. The event is designed for in-person participation.

How many individuals can attend from my local Resettlement Agency?

- Local Resettlement Agencies can send up to 2 to 3 individuals to the workshop. If sending more than one individual, CORE highly recommends the individual be in a supervisory capacity or a role that can impact the strategy behind CO delivery.

How many total individuals will attend the workshop?

- Space is limited at both locations, and early registration is highly encouraged.

Can volunteers or community members/partners attend the workshop?

- CORE prefers attendance at this workshop to be limited to staff at local Resettlement Agencies or Private Sponsor Organizations. However, volunteers who are heavily involved in CO delivery can participate. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your eligibility, please contact CORE at COResourceExchange@Rescue.org.

Can CO Leaders or national Resettlement Agency staff attend the workshop?

- We welcome CO Leaders to participate, space permitting. To secure your spot, please register before the registration deadline.

I understand CORE cannot provide financial assistance for this learning opportunity. Can local Resettlement Agencies self-fund their participation?

- Yes. CORE welcomes local Resettlement Agencies from around the country to self-fund any necessary travel.

What time does the workshop start and end? Can I attend only a portion of the workshop? Can I leave early?

- The workshop starts at 10 am and concludes at 4:30 pm. Registration will open at 9:30 am and breaks, including lunch, will be provided. To maximize the benefits of the workshop, participants are encouraged to attend the entire duration from 10 am to 4:30 pm. However, CORE understands that travel schedules differ, so we understand if individuals need to leave early.

What is the workshop agenda/ schedule?

- Below is a high-level schedule for this event. More detailed information will be shared with registrants in the weeks leading up to the workshop.
 - 9:30 – 10 am - Registration
 - 10 – 12 pm - Morning sessions (with break)
 - 12 pm – 1 pm - Lunch
 - 1 pm – 3:30 pm - Afternoon sessions (with break)
 - 3:30 – 4 pm - Closing and reflection

Will there be any resources or materials available to participants after the workshop concludes?

- Yes, participants will have access to resources and materials to support continued learning and application of the concepts covered during the workshop. Details on accessing these resources will be shared with participants after the conclusion of the event.

How will this workshop be different from past CO Knowledge Exchange Workshops held by CORE?

- While the core principles remain consistent, this workshop will introduce the new domestic Road Ahead Curriculum, emphasizing skill-building for common challenges and discussing practical ways to enhance CO delivery. Participants can expect to engage in various activities, discussions, and skill-building exercises throughout the day.

Where can I stay? Does CORE have any local hotel recommendations?

- Information regarding local accommodation will be provided to registrants closer to the workshop date. Stay tuned for updates.

What COVID-19 measures are in place for this workshop?

- Ensuring the health and safety of our participants is our top priority. Masks will be provided at registration, and we encourage participants to wear them at their discretion. If you have been exposed to COVID-19 or are feeling unwell, we kindly request that you stay home. Please be aware that these measures may be adjusted based on evolving public health guidelines. We appreciate your cooperation and understanding as we work together to create a safe and enjoyable conference experience for all.

How can I request special accommodation?

- To request special accommodation, please contact CORE at COResourceExchange@Rescue.org.