

Save the Children has been running a capacity strengthening programme to develop local, national and regional Child Protection in Emergencies response capability in Asia and the Pacific.

The Child Protection in Emergencies Professional Development Programme

- Asia Region -

Emergencies have a devastating effect on children's lives.

They often result in children being separated from their families and in deterioration of local structures that protect them. If child protection mechanisms are not re-established immediately, children are exposed to various protection risks, including abuse, neglect, exploitation and violence. Not to mention the COVID-19 pandemic, mass urbanisation, population growth, movements of people, rising sea-levels and changing storm and rain patterns are combining to put millions more children's lives at risk. Humanitarian organisations often find it difficult to identify enough skilled and experienced Child Protection in Emergency personnel to prevent and respond to child protection risks and concerns.



The programme has attracted high praise from participants and mentors alike:

“It is a great opportunity to develop yourself to become a professional child protection practitioner in emergency context.”

NGO participant

“The programme was very comprehensive covering various CP topics through different assignments. I learned a lot through this programme and I am now more confident to work for this sector.”

NGO participant

“(My direct report) was exposed to newer principles and newer ways of integrating child protection into response program. (He/she) has developed the confidence by understanding application of studied principles.”

Participant's line manager

“I think the mentorship is an aspect of the programme that needs to be maintained. It gives a lot to both mentees and mentors. It can be the perfect platform for the mentees to ask questions and increase their knowledge without the fear to be “judged”.”

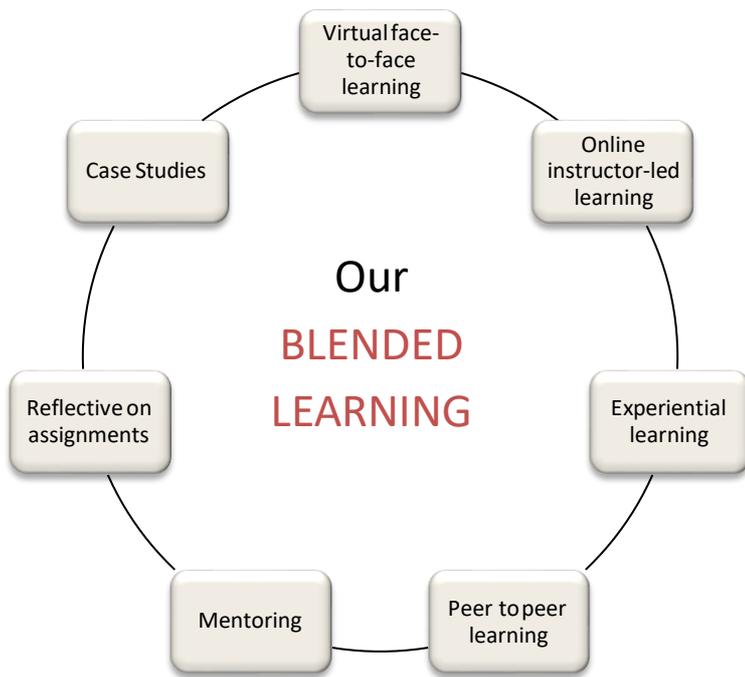
CPIE PDP mentor

Programme Details

The **Child Protection in Emergencies Professional Development Programme** draws on Save the Children's extensive experience in building child protection capacity. It has been designed around [Capacity Gap Analysis](#) conducted in South East and East Asia in April 2016 and updated in May 2020 following the revision of the Child Protection Minimum Standards as a result of [Capacity Gaps Survey](#). The programme's learning outcomes aim at strengthening specific competencies in the following areas:

- Core Child Protection principles
- Areas affecting quality of Child Protection in Emergencies responses
- Child Protection risks in Emergencies
- Child Protection in Emergencies strategies and working across sectors
- Relevant cross-cutting themes
- Child Protection in Emergencies and capacity strengthening.

The programme offers blended learning approach and diverse pool of expert facilitators, coupled with its complementary mentoring component.



CPIE PDP Innovations

- Diverse participants' make up including **government representatives**
- Rich pool of facilitators and mentors from **several organizations**
- Innovative use of **new technologies**
- Contextually relevant group work** on national contexts and regional cross cutting themes
- Transformation of Training** featured in virtual residential phase
- Access to an **alumni network**

Programme format



Considering the COVID-19 pandemic, please note that all the contents of the programme will be delivered remotely in this cycle, while ensuring opportunities for participants to collaborate and discuss with other participants and facilitators virtually.

Eligibility

The **Child Protection in Emergencies Professional Development Programme** is open to child protection practitioners from Save the Children Country Offices and partner organizations including government agencies, who have with a minimum of 2 years' experience in child protection.

Child protection practitioners from Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, China, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Laos, Myanmar, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Vietnam are invited to apply.

Please note that there are some changes in eligible countries from the previous cycle.

Eligible applicants from locations that are prone to disasters or have been affected by disasters or conflicts are encouraged to apply. National NGO staff are strongly encouraged to apply.



Check the [Child Protection in Emergencies Professional Development Programme website](#) for more information about the programme and the application process. For any questions please contact CPIEPDP-Asia-Pacific@savethechildren.org