



Social Thinking® Clinical Training Program 2019 – 2020 School Year Level 1-Assessment Observation Application

Santa Clara, CA & Boston, MA Clinic Locations

Clinical Training Program

We have two clinic locations to make travel easier on both domestic and international trainees: West coast (Social Thinking® Clinic, Santa Clara, CA) and East coast (Social Thinking® Boston, Boston MA).

The Social Thinking® Clinical Training Program is an advanced three-day training session that lets you observe Social Thinking clinical sessions as a means to explore the Social Thinking Methodology in a deeper and more meaningful way.

Who should attend? Professionals with at least 12 hours of Social Thinking (ST) conference and/or eLearning training and have implemented components of the Social Thinking Methodology with individuals for over one year.

To Apply for the Program:

1. Training is being offered in two locations: Santa Clara, California and Boston, Massachusetts. You can apply specifically to one location or to both locations – most of the monthly trainings are offered on the same dates in both locations.
2. Applicant must fill out an application explaining why they should be considered for inclusion in our Social Thinking Clinical Training Program. Due to our limited number of openings, we are seeking applicants who work with a relatively large number of students.
3. Application form must be filled out completely, and at least 3 date options selected for attending the training. (Please select as many date options as possible!)
4. Applicant understands and agrees to the payment plan for this training. **There are no discounted fees or scholarships available.**
5. A check in the amount of \$300 (USD) made payable to “Social Thinking Center” must be attached to the application as a deposit to be considered for placement. If accepted, this deposit will be applied to your training tuition.
6. Multiple applicants applying to attend the same session as a small group must send their applications in *one* envelope. **Individual deposit checks are required for each person in the group.** There is no group discount offered.
7. Applications will be reviewed on a first-come, first-serve basis. While there is no “formal” deadline to apply, we encourage you to apply early if you’re eager to participate and want to secure your chosen date of attendance!
8. We will inform you as to your status in our program within 1 week of the time we received your application. We will continue to enroll applicants until all spots are full. If an applicant is not accepted into our program, they will be fully refunded their deposit. Our website, www.socialthinking.com/clinic-services/clinical-training, will indicate when the Clinical Training program is full in both locations.
9. We’ll only accept emailed and/or faxed applications if the applicant lives outside of the USA.
10. Participants will receive an email acknowledgment upon our receipt of the deposit and application.

Eligibility Requirements:

This is an advanced training on the Social Thinking methodology and not Social Thinking 101. To be eligible to participate in the Clinical Training Program, applicants must have:

1. **At least one year of recent experience utilizing Social Thinking treatment frameworks, strategies, vocabulary, and concepts with clients/students of any age within the range of four years to adulthood.**
2. **All professionals (mental Health, educational, OT, SLP, etc.) that work directly with individuals with social learning challenges, who have met other pre-requisites are welcome to attend.** We provide continuing education hours to some of these professionals (see below)
 - a. **Behaviorist need to further evaluate if they should enroll in our Clinical Training Program.** We are now aware that licensed BCBA's and licensed behavior assistants are not allowed to utilize the Social Thinking Methodology as part of the work they do as a licensed BCBA according to their licensing agency. For this reason, when a licensed behaviorist or behavioral assistant applies to our Clinical Training Program, they will receive a letter from us reviewing the concerns. The licensed behaviorist will have to select if they still want to proceed in our training based on our explanation of the situation or withdraw their application at that point.
3. **Will plan to read three or more free articles related to the methodology (as posted on the website or in newsletters)**
4. **Have attended at least two full-day Social Thinking conferences taught by a member of our Social Thinking Training and Speakers' Collaborative or a guest speaker invited by Social Thinking or watched at least 12 hours of Social Thinking eLearning modules (6).**
5. **Read and use two or more of the books published by Think Social Publishing, Inc, including but not limited to:**
 - *Thinking About You Thinking About Me*
 - *Inside Out: What Makes the Person with Social Cognitive Deficits Tick?*
 - *Social Thinking and Me*
 - *You Are A Social Detective combined with teaching about Superflex: A Superhero Social Thinking Curriculum*
 - *We Thinkers, Volume 1 (storybooks and curriculum)*
 - *Socially Curious and Curiously Social*
6. **Applicants are selected based on the number of students/clients they serve in the community and their experience with the methodology. In other words, professionals or parent-professionals working with a very small caseload are less likely to be selected.**

About the Application Process:

The Clinical Training Program is conducted monthly throughout the school year (September through June). There are only seven available in each training session at each of our two locations. Individuals who were on the waiting list from

the previous year will be given the first chance to attend the current year's training in either our Santa Clara, CA (Silicon Valley area) or Boston area, MA.

Each April we post online the application for enrollment in the Clinical Training Program for the upcoming school year (September-June). Applications are collected until all spots are full. **A complete application is the ONLY way to secure a space. We do not hold spaces for individuals who call or email to inquire about the program.**

Only those applications that are **complete** will be considered. A complete application must contain:

- An application form
- An indication of at least three training dates (and their respective locations) that you would be able to attend
- A written response to the free-form questions included at the end of your application
- A \$300 (USD) deposit. This deposit will be applied to the total tuition if you are selected to attend the Clinical Training Program

Deposit: If an applicant is accepted into the Clinical Training Program, the deposit is non-refundable. (See the Cancellation & Rescheduling Policies below.) If the applicant is not selected for the Clinical Training Program, a \$50 administrative fee will be deducted and the remaining \$250 will be refunded.

Team attendance:

Administrators and businesses wishing to enroll a team of individuals in a training need to submit one packet containing each applicant's completed paperwork with the individual deposit fee for each person attached.

Fee Schedule:

Boston total fee: \$1,400 (USD) This training is led by Nancy Clements.

Santa Clara total fee: \$1,600 (USD) This training is led by Michelle Garcia Winner and/or Dr. Pamela Crooke.

A \$300 (USD) check is required with your application to be considered for the program. Please make all checks payable to "Social Thinking Center." If you're accepted, your deposit will be applied to your tuition. If you're not selected, a \$50 administrative fee will be deducted and the remaining \$250 will be refunded.

After notification of placement, all further payments toward the full tuition are non-refundable at the time of receipt by the Social Thinking Center. Immediately upon acceptance into the Clinical Training Program, your second tuition payment is due. The second payment is \$600 (USD) for those attending the Boston training and \$700 (USD) for those attending the Santa Clara training. Individuals notified of placement in the program who decide to withdraw prior to making this second payment will forfeit their entire \$300 (USD) deposit.

A final tuition payment of \$500 USD (Boston) and \$600 USD (Santa Clara) is due 10 weeks prior to the start date. If payment is not made at that time, the spot can be forfeited along with all money paid toward the tuition.

The Social Thinking Center will send invoices for each payment and track all applicants' payments and balance. The program tuition must be paid in full prior to attend the training.

Note: Due to the high demand for this program, there are no discounted fees or scholarships available.

Purchase Orders:

We only accept purchase orders if the \$300 deposit is paid upfront with a check that is attached to each application. The remaining balance may be paid with a purchase order as long as Social Thinking receives the remaining balance check 12 weeks prior to the training date. There are no exceptions for purchase orders to be paid after the scheduled training date. Delay receiving the lump sum check prior to the scheduled training date can result in losing the training spot!

Cancellation Policy & Rescheduling Policies:

If a person reschedules or cancels their participation in a training for which they have been enrolled, it is difficult and time-consuming for our staff to fill that space from our waitlist, even months before the training. For this reason, we have strict policies regarding cancellations and requests to reschedule.

Rescheduling or changing training location:

- **Before assigned to a training date:** If you would like to change your preferred training dates and/or location before you've been assigned to a training date, we would be happy to assist you at no charge. Please contact us at the information provided below.
- **After assigned to a training date:** If you need to change your assigned training date and/or location, we will fulfill your request but must charge a \$150 administrative fee. We will do our best to find you a spot in a training that works for your schedule, but if none are available for the remaining school year, you will be placed on the waitlist. See "Waitlist Policy" for more details.

Cancelling/revoking your application:

- **Before assigned to a training session:** If you contact us to cancel or revoke your application before you've been assigned to a training, we will refund your \$300 deposit less a \$50 administrative fee.
- **After assigned to training session:**
 - If you contact us to cancel your participation after you've been assigned to a training, you forfeit any money paid toward your program attendance (deposit plus additional payments).
- The only exception is if the cancellation is due to a medical necessity as evidenced by a note from your doctor, then you will be refunded in full minus a \$150 administrative fee. Or you can elect to be placed on the waitlist for the current school year in which your session was to take place or you can request to re-register for our Clinical Training Program the following year. Our administrative staff will work with you to coordinate which possible dates you can attend the next year. All monies already paid, minus \$150 in administrative fees, will apply to your alternative Clinical Training session. You have three years to schedule and attend another training; after that time, you forfeit all money paid. If you do not complete your Clinical Training session within 3 years of your cancellation date, you forfeit your money.
- **Note:** If the cost of the Clinical Training Program increases between your placement on the waitlist and the date you attend, or if you change locations and the program cost is higher, you are responsible for paying the most current price of the training.

In the case of an Act of Nature:

- If there is a significant Act of Nature such as severe weather conditions, an earthquake, tornado, etc. that restricts your ability to travel to your Clinical Training session or requires us to cancel the event for the safety of all participants, we will work with you to reschedule your training, free of charge and the money you have paid will be applied to your future training. You will be responsible for all travel-related costs resulting from the rescheduling, including airline and hotel costs. You have three years to schedule and attend another training; after that time, you forfeit all money paid.
- Note: If the cost of the Clinical Training Program increases between your placement on the waitlist and the date you attend, or if you change locations and the program cost is higher, you are responsible for paying the most current price of the training.

Waitlisted Enrollment in Clinical Training Program

If all Clinical Training spots are sold out on your available dates:

- If you are eligible to participate in the Clinical Training Program but all spots have been filled for the current U.S. school year, you will be notified, your deposit will be returned, and you will be placed on the waitlist.

Waitlist Policy

- If you're placed on the waitlist, we will notify you when more training dates become available for you to consider. Any money you have paid so far will be applied to your future training. You have three years to schedule another training; after that time, you forfeit all money paid.

Important! If the cost of the Clinical Training Program increases between your placement on the waitlist and the date you attend, or if you change locations and the program cost is higher, you are responsible for paying the most current price of the training.

Continuing Education Available!

We offer continuing education credit for attending the Clinical Training Program for the professions listed below. All attendees will receive a Certificate of Completion and agenda as proof of participation. The training provides 20 hours of instruction.

Contact your licensing and/or certification organization: We are approved to offer continuing education (CE) credit in many U.S. states and Canadian provinces. However, because requirements can change without notice, we recommend contacting your licensing and/or certification organization to verify program approval to be 100% confident you can earn CE credit for the program. If you work in a location not listed, we recommend contacting your certification board to determine program approval.

COUNSELORS

Professions included under this category:

- Licensed Mental Health Counselors



- Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselors
- Certified Professional Counselors
- Licensed Professional Counselors
- Associate Professional Counselors
- Licensed Professional Clinical Counselors

United States

Most states: The program is offered to counselors for 20 clock hours toward National Board of Certified Counselors (NBCC) credit except where noted below. Social Thinking has been designated by NBCC as an Approved Continuing Education Provider (ACEP) No. 6685. Social Thinking is solely responsible for all aspects of the programs.

States that typically accept CE hours for programs approved by the National Board of Certified Counselors:

- All U.S. states *except* MT, NY, NV, OK

EDUCATORS

United States

Most states: To apply for continuing education credit for our training, submit your Certificate of Attendance and agenda documents to your district or employer after the program has taken place.



LICENSED MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

United States

Most states: Each course is offered for National Board of Certified Counselors (NBCC) credit except where noted below. Social Thinking has been designated by NBCC as an Approved Continuing Education Provider (ACEP) No. 6685. Programs that do not qualify for NBCC credit are clearly identified. Social Thinking is solely responsible for all aspects of the programs.

States that typically accept CE hours for programs approved by NBCC, though they can change without notice:

- AL, AR, AZ, CA, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, HI, IA, ID, ME, MN, MO, NH, NJ, NM, NV, OR, PA, RI, SD, TN, VA, VT, WA, WI, WY

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS (OTs)

Contact your licensing and/or certification organization to see if you can earn continuing education credit for our program. Many states accept CE hours for our training; however, Social Thinking is not an AOTA-approved provider.

United States

States that are **likely** to accept CE hours for our program when submitting paperwork after the training takes place:

- AL, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, GA, HI, ID, IA, KS, KY, ME, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NJ, OH, OK, OR, PA, SD, TN, UT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY, Washington DC

States that require participants to submit the program for approval before the event to receive CE hours for attendance:

- IL, LA (for live events only), NM, ND, VT

States that are **unlikely** to accept CE hours for our program:

- The states not listed in either category above require attendance at AOTA-approved programs to earn CE credit. Unfortunately, Social Thinking is not an AOTA-approved provider.

Canada

To apply for CEEs for our training, submit the Certificate of Attendance and agenda provided at the training to your licensing organization. The program is offered for 20.0 CEEs.

PSYCHOLOGISTS (CLINICAL & SCHOOL)

United States All states: The Clinical Training Program is approved for APA credit through our partnership with Commonwealth Educational Seminars (CES). CES is approved by the American Psychological Association (APA) to offer continuing education credit programs. Commonwealth Educational Seminars maintains responsibility for this program and its content. Psychologists receive 20 hours of continuing education credit upon completing this program. If you are not affiliated with APA, inquire with your respective state board to see if you can earn CE credit by attending our program. It might help to tell them the program is approved for APA credit.



SOCIAL WORKERS

The Clinical Training Program is available for continuing education credit in partnership with Commonwealth Educational Seminars (CES). CES is approved by the American Psychological Association (APA) to offer continuing education credit programs. CES maintains responsibility for this program and its content. Social Workers completing this program will receive 20 clinical hours of clinical continuing education credit.

United States – as of January 2019

States that typically accept CE hours for programs approved by Commonwealth Educational Seminars:

AK, AL, AR, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, IA, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NM, NY, OH, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, VT, WA, WI, WV, WY

States that typically accept CE hours for programs approved by other organizations:

- NY: Social Thinking, SW CPE, is recognized by New York State Education Department's State Board for Social Work as an approved provider of continuing education for licensed social workers #SW-0334. The program is offered for 20 contact hours.

If your state is not listed above, inquire with your state board to see if you can earn CE credit for attending our program.

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS (SLPs)

United States & Global ASHA Affiliates

All states: We are an approved continuing education provider through the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA); the program is offered for 2.0 ASHA CEUs. To apply for ASHA CEUs, fill out an ASHA registration form on the first day of training. Remember to bring your ASHA number to include on the form.



Social Thinking Publishing is approved by the Continuing Education Board of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) to provide continuing education activities in speech-language pathology and audiology. See course information for number of ASHA CEUs, instructional level and content area. ASHA CE Provider approval does not imply endorsement of course content, specific products or clinical procedures.

The program is offered for **2.0 ASHA CEUs** (Intermediate level, Professional area).

If you maintain your own CE hours, your Certificate of Attendance qualifies as your verification of attendance form.

California: Michelle Garcia Winner is an approved Continuing Professional Development Provider by the Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispensers Board for state of California SLPs (PDP 54) (20 hours).

Canada: To apply for CEEs for our program, submit the Certificate of Attendance and agenda to your licensing organization. The Certificate of Attendance and agenda will be provided. Earn 20.0 CEEs for the training!

Questions?

We're here to help!

Questions about the program (except continuing education questions):

Vanessa Alcantar

Director of Front Office & Clinical Training

clinicinfo@socialthinking.com

408-557-8595 ext. 202

Office hours: 8am – 4:30pm Pacific Time

Questions about continuing education:

Elena Samsonova

Director of Conferences & Continuing Education

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Office hours: 8:30am – 5:00pm Pacific Time

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Name _____

Date _____

Since clinical training sessions are held at two separate locations, please check your preference location.

2019 - 2020 Training Dates and Locations

Please indicate below your 1st, 2nd, 3rd preference by writing a number next to your selections. If a row is left blank, we will assume you cannot attend that date. Participants must indicate at least 3 date options. The more dates you select the more likely you will be placed in a program.

By selecting the row Santa Clara or Boston you are indicating you are available to attend the training in either location

TRAINING DATES	Either Santa Clara or Boston Location	BOSTON ONLY	SANTA CLARA ONLY
September 23 – 25, 2019	Not available		Not available
October 21 – 23, 2019			
November 11 – 13, 2019			
December 09 - 11, 2019			
January 20 – 22, 2020			
February 24 – 26, 2020			
March 16 – 18, 2020			
April 06 – 08, 2020			
May 04 – 06, 2020			

Acknowledgement of Basic Training in Social Thinking Concepts:

Are you applying to attend the Clinical Training Program for a 2nd time?

____ Yes

____ No

If yes, which year did you attend: _____

I acknowledge I have at least **ONE YEAR OF RECENT EXPERIENCE** UTILIZING SOCIAL THINKING'S TREATMENT FRAMEWORKS, STRATEGIES AND CONCEPTS WITH CLIENTS/STUDENTS WITHIN THE RANGE OF FOUR YEARS OLD TO ADULTHOOD: _____ (initials)

I acknowledge I have attended two full-day Social Thinking workshop hosted by Think Social Publishing, Inc, or led by a member of the Social Thinking Training and Speakers Collaborative or I have watched at least 12 hours of Social Thinking eLearning modules (6); in addition to reading and utilizing TSP published products in my clinical/treatment work.
_____(initials)

I acknowledge I have read three or more free articles related to the methodology (as posted on the website or in the Social Thinking Newsletters): _____(initials)

I acknowledge I have read and utilized two or more of the books published by Think Social Publishing, Inc, including, but not limited to: _____ (initials)

- *Thinking About You Thinking About Me*
- *Inside Out: What Makes the Person with Social Cognitive Deficits Tick?*
- *Social Thinking and Me*
- *You Are a Social Detective combined with teaching about Superflex*
- *We Thinkers Vol. 1*
- *Socially Curious and Curiously Social*

I acknowledge I understand the policy for collecting payments, non-refundable deposits for the Social Thinking Clinical Training Program Level 1-Assessment, and the cancellation policy: _____(initials)

I understand there are two different fees based on which training location I attend; the Boston training is \$1400 (USD) and the Santa Clara training is \$1600 (USD): _____ (initials)

I would like to receive ASHA-SLP CEUs for this training: Yes ☐ No ☐

MY ASHA MEMBERSHIP NUMBER IS: _____

I would like to receive CES CE credit: I am a MH COUNSELOR, CLINICAL OR SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST, or SOCIAL WORKER _____(initials)

Please print clearly!

NAME		PROFESSION/CREDENTIALS	
*MAILING ADDRESS		WORK NAME/SCHOOL OR AFFILIATION	
CITY		WORK WEBSITE	
STATE/PROVINCE		ALTERNATE/ADDITIONAL WORKNAME	
ZIP OR MAIL CODE		WEBSITE	
COUNTRY		PLEASE INDICATE AGE GROUP OF CLIENTS YOU WORK WITH (IF YOU WORK WITH CLIENTS). CHECK ALL THAT APPLY.	
*PRIMARY EMAIL		PRESCHOOL	
SECONDARY EMAIL		K - 5	
PRIMARY TELEPHONE	Circle One: H C W	MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL	
SECONDARY TELEPHONE	Circle One: H C W	TRANSITION TO ADULT & YOUNG ADULTS (16-90)	
ADDITIONAL TELEPHONE	Circle One: H C W	ADULTS (26 AND BEYOND)	

BEST ADDRESS to assure you receive email/mail information. Most correspondence will be via email. If your email address changes, please inform us right away.

Questions?

While you will be attending in one of two locations, all the clinical training registration and payments are handled through our Santa Clara, CA Office. Please do not call the Boston office with any administrative questions prior to your arrival for the clinical training program.

Please contact Vanessa; Clinical Training Coordinator at the Santa Clara office with questions.

Vanessa Alcantar

clinicinfo@socialthinking.com

408-557-8595x202

Office hours: 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM Pacific time

11:00 AM – 7:30 PM East coast time

Mail your completed application to:

Social Thinking Center

404 Saratoga Ave

#200

Santa Clara, CA 95050

Your Signature:

Please sign below acknowledging you understand all the information presented on this application. **No typed signatures accepted.**

Signature

Date

Print name

2019 -2020 Social Thinking® Clinical Training Program: Personal Paragraphs

Please answer the questions below and include them with your application. Your application will not be accepted without these questions completed. You may attach an additional paper if you need more room for your descriptions.

Name _____

1. Briefly describe what type of work you do that prompts you to apply for this clinical training program. Include how many people you work with who benefit from Social Thinking lessons.
2. Briefly explain your current and/or prior experience using Social Thinking concepts and teachings (It is mandatory that you have experience using Social Thinking's teachings for at least a ONE YEAR prior to you applying to participate in our clinical training program).
3. Briefly explain what you hope to get out of attending this training.
4. Additional information you would like to add?