Good websites for free online AEN Training:

1. ACES – Adverse Childhood Experiences:

7 lots of 50 min free online trainings. You get a certificate.

https://www.acesonlinelearning.com/

1. Griffinot – OT site

Has 2 free sensory processing trainings

<https://www.griffinot.com/-> sensory processing

1. 4free courses that take a few hours each:

Autism

Learning theory

SEND Code of Practice 2015

Working in partnership with parents

<https://www.oltinternational.net/>

1. [www.earlychildhoodwebinars.com/webinar-resources/](http://www.earlychildhoodwebinars.com/webinar-resources/)

This looked good, a company in America. You can watch recorded webinars for free, you just need to register. You can also download the slides from the webinar and download a certificate. (Access to the recorded webinars is blocked via St Nicholas site, but I could access it on my personal laptop.) I looked at the most recent one listed and it looked interesting `Using Mindfulness with children of all abilities to keep connections strong.’

This is their introduction:

Early Childhood Investigations is a ongoing series of conference-quality free webinars for early childhood educators. The series is produced by Fran S. Simon, M.Ed., Chief Engagement Officer of Engagement Strategies, LLC. These engaging webinars are presented by many of the thought-leaders and experts in the field of early care and education. The webinars explore critical topics that offer new ideas and insights to early childhood professionals, especially administrators.

Our goal is to offer professional development opportunities that transcend the obstacles of distance, time, and money by offering conference-quality early childhood webinars.

We want to spark discussion in the early education community, and engage and motivate directors and teachers.

1. **Future Learning**

[**HTTPS://WWW.FUTURELEARN.COM/**](https://WWW.FUTURELEARN.COM/)

They have a big range of courses across the dimensions. No certificates, but you could do a screenshot at the end of the training.

1. **The Communication Trust**

[**https://www.thecommunicationtrust.org.uk/**](https://www.thecommunicationtrust.org.uk/)

The Communication Trust is a coalition of over 50 not-for-profit organisations.

They offer a range of SLCN resources including info packs, videos and projects. This is their introduction:

Working together we support everyone who works with children and young people in England to support their speech, language and communication.

Our work focuses on supporting children and young people who struggle to communicate because they have speech, language and communication needs (SLCN) as well as supporting all children and young people to communicate to the best of their ability.

1. **The Open University**

[www.open.edu/openlearn/education-development/](http://www.open.edu/openlearn/education-development/)

They have a good range of trainings across the dimensions.

1. **DFE**

[**http://www.complexneeds.org.uk/**](http://www.complexneeds.org.uk/)

The training materials cover the following areas of special educational needs (SEN) and special educational needs and disabilities (SEND):

* Severe learning difficulties (SLD)
* Profound and multiple learning difficulties (PMLD)
* Complex learning difficulties and disabilities (CLDD)

They are presented in 16 modules within four subject groups and look into topics such as communication and interaction, the context of specialist teaching, insights from neuroscience, working with families, and the legislation around SEND.

The materials can be used by and are relevant to a wide range of people. Whether you’re a teaching assistant, trainee teacher, qualified teacher, school leader, local authority, training provider, or family member of a child with SEND, you can browse through the resources to find the information you need.

Each resource within a module is associated with a study level, so information will be appropriate to your knowledge and experience. If you feel that the resources are too detailed for your requirements, or you need further information, you can change your level of study at any time.