In January 2018, education leaders from across the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention finalized eight training development standards to serve as a quality benchmark for trainings developed or funded by CDC. The standards provide guidance for developing quality training that results in learning. As part of a routine review, in September 2020, CDC’s education leaders determined the standards remain an important tool to help ensure that learning occurs and are especially relevant today in helping learners navigate a rapidly changing environment.

A quality training is one that meets all eight standards:

1. **Training needs assessment** informs training development
2. Training includes **learning objectives**
3. Training content is **accurate and relevant**
4. Training includes opportunities for **learner engagement**
5. Training is designed for **usability and accessibility**
6. **Training evaluation** informs improvement
7. Training includes opportunity for **learner assessment**
8. Training includes **follow-up support for the learner**