

Integrated Training Collaborative Meeting
January 14, 2013
Meeting Minutes

Attending: Carole Ivey, Cori Hill, Jen Newton, Mary Voorhees, Patty Eitemiller, Anne Brager, Bonnie Grifa, Pam Park, Catherine Hancock, Lynn Wiley, Dana Childress, Jen Barnes-Maddox, Cathy Cook, Stacie Jackson, Beth Tolley, Lynne Blythe, Carol Burke, Debra Holloway, Adrienne Frank, Nancy Bailey, Corey Herd Cassidy

1. Welcome, Announcements, & Celebrations

Share: We're two weeks into 2013. What is one thing you want to learn this year?

Carole – be able to manage filing, organization

Bonnie – learn more about online options for training and get comfortable with it

Stacie – learn more about parent coaching and doing more of that in our region

Dana – learn to snorkel

Pam – learn more effective ways to complete the intake visit and gather info from families, especially with new IFSP coming out this summer

Cori – learn how to get really good seats to Buffett concert this summer

Lynne B – learn to do fancy stuff with Excel

Announcement:

Rebecka Anderson, eLearning Specialist, has accepted a new position and is no longer working with us. We are currently contracting with several people to support our online work. We hope to hire a “new Rebecka” soon!

2. State & National Activities

I&TC office, T/TACs, universities, local systems, Partnership, others

Share: A professional development opportunity in which you participated since our October meeting and one piece of information you've actually used in your work.

Cathy – The whole coaching piece has been phenomenal; understanding how to work with people has been tremendous.

Stacie – We've done some work as early implementers. Changing a little bit about the questions we're asking when developing the IFSP has made a difference. Gathering better info/asking better questions at screening makes writing the IFSP much easier. We've shifted our way of thinking which was really helpful.

Mary – I'm trying to look at lots of online resources and integrating them into courses I teach. Latest resource – CONNECT modules on social-emotional and academic support. Seeing the videotapes is incredibly helpful for students.

Cori & Jen – Trying to take resources that are available and connect them to course content at JMU. We would love to see all VA universities strategically using modules (ITC and other) to enhance preservice for 0-3 providers.

CCSS 2013 – Proposals are still welcome through March 1st. Call for proposals is online on EIPD site and TTAC online. Need proposals covering 0-3, 2-5, 0-5 inclusive.

July 22-24 VA Beach

Keynote – Dr. Bill Henderson (retired educator & school administrator from an inner city school; completely turned school around; also speaks from a disability viewpoint as he has a visual impairment as well)

It was noted that we won't be having as many seminars this year due to low attendance last year. Participants felt like they were missing two opportunities for information from two concurrent sessions while attending one seminar. If you are interested in presenting a seminar, let Cori know. Seminars will be presented by invited speakers.

Will have CoPA at the Beach seminar (3 hr block) and are still working on a speaker

Workshops – Integrating 3 OSEP Child Outcome Indicators into IFSP Process

End of March, early April

1-day, f2f trainings

To be presented by ITCVA staff

Much more info to come!

Division of Early Childhood (DEC) International Conference

Proposals due Jan 15th

Oct 16-18 in San Francisco

Great opportunities for sharing your work and networking with like-minded people!

3. ITC Whirlwind of Work (contract ends June 30th)

Talks on Tuesdays – upcoming topics/speakers, feedback

Feb 4th – Engaging Families Beyond the EI Visit (Jen Newton)

Mar 5th – Visual Impairment (Lisa Aurwater)

We have cancelled practice for Feb ToT on 1/24/13. Need practice participants 1/30/13 10:30-12:00. Email Cori if you can help.

Coaching

This is one of the ITC's biggest deliverables this year. We held a Coaching Institute as part of CCSS 2012 with Dathan Rush and M'Lisa Shelden. We had planned a coaching training in Dec 2012 for 60 people but unfortunately had to be cancelled due to emergency with presenters. Rescheduled for **April 24th-25th** in NOVA (same group of people). The goal of session – move coaching into more real practice. Master Coaches will help guide their systems and build capacity for using coaching interactions.

We will be doing similar training in Tidewater (May) and Valley (June). We are very fortunate that this is a collaborative effort with TTACs in these regions! Thank you! More info will be provided as it is available.

Preservice Survey

Reviewed preliminary results summary of preservice survey project. We will share final summary when available. Hope this work will inform ITC preservice work and how we can support students and faculty. Hope it will also help faculty in their program planning too. ITC would love to work with faculty to support and improve preservice preparation.

Mary – It is hard to help students really “get it” until they are actually working in the field. Would love to talk with others about this more. Hopefully we can get a forum of faculty together to further discuss this work.

Cori – It’s challenging because EI students don’t have a frame of reference of what an EI visit looks like. We would love to see more resources shared with students.

Lynn – Collaborative event help in GMU area: Special Ed conference – parents, students, teachers come together for one day. Maybe our forum could bring people together like this.

Documentation Tutorials-need input/help

Need to form a small committee to help us develop this project. Interested in helping: Carol B and Lynne B.

Brain Mini-Modules

Working with John Almarode (JMU). Project came about as a result of feedback following ToT with John in 2011. John is building 7 mini-modules, about 20 min long, that include content and interactive features. Learners can take them together for 1-2 hrs of PD by picking and choosing which mini-modules they want to complete and accessing other resources that John will include as references and links.

Brain Rules for Babies Book Club

John is also facilitating this book club as the eastern seaboard presenter for John Medina (author of *Brain Rules* book). Working with JMU TTAC to build this online book club as a pilot. Will include ECSEs and I&TC programs in the JMU region.

1st day (3/19 2:30-4:00) – online 1 ½ hrs

2nd day (4/20 10:00-3:30) - Full day f2f with John, Jen Newton, and faculty from Univ of Richmond

3rd day (5/21 2:30-4:00) – online 1 ½ hrs

Hope that other parts of state might be interested. Would like to replicate and offer in other regions.

Blog-need input/help

Reviewed blog and FB page. Please subscribe to the blog and share the links. Please also “like” us on FB and help spread the word about these two interactive resources. If you are interested in writing for the blog or have resources to share, email Dana.

Fireside Chats for LSMs

Hope to do 3 webinars using an interview format. Presented by LSMs on management, oversight, and roles of LSM.

1st one - Jan 31st 3:30-4:30 with Allan Phillips on work he’s done with contracting, oversight, contracts. Registration coming out this week.

KI & KII-predetermined locations and email follow ups after K training

KI and KII locations will now be in set locations (to help with budgeting per ITCofVA). KI & KII are always in March & April and Sept & October. Locations will now include

Richmond and the Valley Region. Registration for KI and KII this spring is live on Partnership for People with Disabilities site (www.vcu.edu/partnership) and will be live soon on EIPD site (http://www.eipd.vcu.edu/training_calendar.html).

We are also developing “training bites” that will be emailed out to KI and KII participants 1x/week following each training. Purpose is to remind of content to support implementation.

Provider/SC in VA Video-need input/help

Need people to help us build short (5-6 min) videos for “So You Want To Be a Service Coordinator?” and “So You Want To Be a Service Provider?” to show what providers actually do in the role. Could be used by students and staff interested in working in EI.

Interested in helping with the content – Stacie and Carole

EIPD site – additions, coming attractions, feedback, reviewers for landing pads

Lots of good stuff on the site! 😊 Tons of new resources added each month. If you have good resources to add, please send them to Dana.

New topic pages: Multiple Disabilities and Communication Development & Delays

4. Any Other Business?

Next meeting April 8th 10:30-12:00

As always, we appreciate your participation!