

June CSPD TA Update

Comprehensive System of Personnel Development (CSPD) Update

The Integrated Training Collaborative coordinates Virginia's professional development system for early interventionists who provide supports and services to eligible children and families under Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

Kaleidoscope Training-PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

In an attempt to assist with long-range planning, the training staff has developed a training calendar for KI and KII training for the upcoming fiscal year, beginning July 1st. Specific dates and locations are typically finalized 8-10 weeks ahead of the scheduled event. It is our hope, however, that knowing which months KI and KII will be held will be beneficial as staff consider their training needs.

PLEASE NOTE: CONTRACTS ARE NOT YET FINALIZED WITH MEETING SITES. LOCATIONS *MAY* CHANGE:

2011-2012 KI and KII Training Calendar

KI	September 8 and 9, 2011-Roanoke (Hotel Roanoke)
KII	October (TBD-Staunton area)
KI	March (TBD-NOVA area)
KII	April (TBD-Tidewater area)
KI	June (TBD-Richmond area)

Outcomes Training

In collaboration with the VCU TTAC, "A Family-Centered Approach to Developing Quality Outcomes" training is scheduled for the Richmond region on September 15th (location to be determined). Plans are also being made to offer this training in the Southwest region. Designed for ALL providers, this interactive session explores the differences between the medical model and a supports and services approach to early intervention. It also includes discussion of natural environments, natural learning opportunities, and effective tools to gather family information to write good outcomes. Participants practice writing outcomes, short term goals and identifying the service provider(s). If you are interested in learning more about this training or scheduling in your region, please contact Cori Hill (cfhill@vcu.edu) to learn more.

CSEFEL Training of Trainers

Plans are being made for Training of Trainers sessions in September and October. Participants will be required to participate in all 6 days of the training. This training will be provided by Dr. Rob Corso from Vanderbilt University and will

be held in Staunton, VA. Participants will be required to provide additional CSEFEL trainings in their localities. For additional information, please contact Cori Hill (cfhill@vcu.edu).

What's New at the Professional Development Center?

Talks on Tuesdays

June – “*Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Hearing but Were Afraid To Ask*” Presenters: Christine Evans (SP/L), Patty Eitenmiller (Educator/Service Coordinator), Christine Eubanks (Audiologist), Beth Tolley (Part C Office) and Ruth Frierson (VEHDI). The archived version of this webinar will be posted on the www.eipd.vcu.edu, under “Talks on Tuesdays” by 6/23/11.

Mark your calendars for our next Talks on Tuesdays webinar, “Introduction to the Center for Early Literacy and Learning” on July 5th from 12:00-1:00 p.m. The goal of CELL is to promote the adoption and sustained use of evidence-based early literacy learning practices by early childhood intervention practitioners, parents, and other caregivers of young children.

This session will introduce participants to the wonderful resources that have been developed by CELL, including those that can be used to make adaptations for children with disabilities. Participants in this session will be encouraged to visit the CELL website (www.earlyliteracylearning.org) prior to the webinar. Time will be provided for Q&A with the speaker. Registration information will be e-mailed soon.

Please hold these dates for upcoming, exciting “Talks on Tuesdays” (topics are tentative):

- Aug 2 – To be determined
- Sept 6 – Data Management
- Oct 4 – Brain Development
- Nov 1 – Sensory Integration

Seeking Assistance from Early Intervention Providers

Did you know that 7 Landing Pads have been developed and posted on the www.eipd.vcu.edu website? We have also developed and posted 2 mini-lessons. We are now recruiting a group of early intervention providers and administrators to review these resource materials and to provide feedback on the tools, particularly the design elements of these materials and the content provided in them. Sue Murdock, Ph.D., Project Evaluator, will be coordinating focus groups so that reviewers can offer their feedback and recommendations. If you are interested in helping with this review, please contact Deana Buck (dmbuck@vcu.edu). Participants will be asked to visit the website, review

selected Landing Pads or mini-lessons, and then join a focus group (by phone) to share feedback and suggestions for improvements. We would like to hold the focus groups by mid-July.

New Resources on the Training Website

Check out the Virginia Early Intervention Professional Development Center website at www.eipd.vcu.edu for new resources, including:

Child Development – We've added a tab under EI Topics & Trends for resources related to child development! Here you can find a link to the *Bright Futures Discovery Display – Videos*, where you will find LOTS of video clips related to child development, parenting, etc. More resources to come!

✓ Find it at http://www.eipd.vcu.edu/sub2_child_dev_resources.html

IFSP and Outcome Development – Visit the Resources & Landing Pad page for information about great questions to ask families when developing individualized IFSP outcomes. These questions were shared by participants during outcome trainings in the Tidewater and Valley regions of the state.

✓ Find them at http://www.eipd.vcu.edu/sub2_ifsp_resources.html

Prematurity – Under this new tab you will find resources related to supporting families with preemies, including an archived webinar and a premie screening checklist. A landing pad is also in development and will be posted soon!

✓ Find them at http://www.eipd.vcu.edu/sub_prematurity.html (*click on the sub-headings in the main menu to find the webinar and screening resources*)

Social Emotional Development – Visit the Resources & Landing Pad page for new resources related to healthy social emotional development and school readiness.

✓ Find them at http://www.eipd.vcu.edu/sub2_soc_emot_resources.html

Transition – Visit the Transition Resources & Landing Pad page to link to the *CONNECT Module 2: Transition*. This free module will help you explore practices to support children and families as they transition among programs in the early care and education systems.

✓ Find it at http://www.eipd.vcu.edu/sub2_transition_resource.html

Training Calendar

Don't forget to visit the Training Calendar for upcoming professional development opportunities available in Virginia, online, and nationally as well!

- ✓ Find it at http://www.eipd.vcu.edu/training_calendar.html

Check It Out

To support your ongoing professional development, be sure to visit these resources:

Take Note-Professional Development Opportunities

Please note that any shared professional development activity requires each practitioner to ascertain relevance to his/her work. No endorsement of any activity not offered through the state Part C office should be assumed.

15th Annual Virginia Association for Play Therapy

June 23-25, 2011

JMU, Harrisonburg, VA

This workshop is designed for school counselors, psychologists, mental health counselors, social workers, psychiatrists, graduate students and other experienced professionals who work with children and families. The workshops are designed to be of interest to beginning, intermediate and advanced child and adolescent therapists of all theoretical orientations. For more info, please visit: <http://vapt.cisat.jmu.edu/summer11/index.html>

Positive Practices in Behavioral Supports through Nonlinear Applied Behavior Analysis

June 21-24, 2011

Richmond, VA

The Institute for Applied Behavior Analysis® was cofounded in 1981 by Drs. Gary W. LaVigna and Thomas J. Willis. IABA® provides supported employment, supported living and youth services to individuals with challenging behavior in California. IABA® is committed to providing the most advanced and highest possible quality services in support of people with challenging behavior. For more details visit: www.iaba.com

Opening Doors-Unlocking Potential 2011!

Language-Literacy-Learning And Students Who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing

June 28-29, 2011

Charlottesville, VA (Holiday Inn University Area and Conference Center)

ODUP 2011! will take an in depth look at LITERACY with emphasis on the literacy skill areas essential to effective literacy instruction. PEPNet is providing Professional Development Awards on a first come-first served basis in the amount of \$200 for up to 20 qualified* Virginia Teachers of the Deaf/Hard of Hearing to support attendance at ODUP 2011! Register online:

<http://www.vcu.edu/partnership/openingdoors2011/> Important: Be sure to fill in ALL fields!

Shining Stars: 8th Annual Early Childhood Conference

July 18-21, 2011

Virginia Beach, VA

Virginia's 8th Annual Early Childhood Conference "Shining Stars: Charting the Future for Today's Children" will be held at The Cavalier Hotel in Virginia Beach, VA, from Monday, July 18th through Wednesday, July 20th, 2011. This statewide conference will focus on evidence-based practices that facilitate the social and emotional development of infants, toddlers, and preschoolers in inclusive settings. This conference is designed for early childhood special educators, early childhood educators, Head Start personnel, Title 1 personnel, Even Start providers, early intervention providers, administrators, paraprofessionals, and families. The registration fee for the conference is \$75.00. For more information, please visit: www.regonline.com/shiningstars2011

The ARC of Virginia 2011 State Convention: Achieve with Us!

August 11-13, 2011

Wyndham Virginia Beach

Virginia Beach, VA

The Arc of Virginia is pleased to announce that we are now accepting presentation proposals for our 2011 State Convention, which will be held August 11-13, 2011 in Virginia Beach, VA. The Convention serves as an opportunity to share information about supports and services for people with developmental disabilities and their families, particularly best-practices. The convention will be organized to include discussion about inclusion, early intervention, Virginia's transition to a community system, effective grassroots change, and ways we can strengthen The Arc movement. Presentation proposals will be accepted until April 25, 2011.

For additional information on the 2011 State Convention or completing presentation or completing presentation proposals, please contact Debra Holloway at 804-649-8481, ext. 103 or dholloway@thearcofva.org

THE ASSOCIATION FOR SUCCESSFUL PARENTING: ENHANCING THE LIVES OF FAMILIES WHEN PARENTS HAVE LEARNING DIFFICULTIES (TASP)

September 12-14, 2011

Johns Hopkins Conference Center

Baltimore, MD

We hope you will join us September 12-14, 2011 at the Johns Hopkins Conference Center in Baltimore, MD for the opportunity to network and learn from experts in the field of supporting parents with intellectual disabilities. We have a great line-up of speakers on timely and relevant topics including: housing, attachment/bonding, funding, assessment, The Australian Perspective, parent panel, legal aspects, etc. For more info visit: <http://www.achancetoparent.net/conference.html>

NAEYC Annual Conference & Expo

November 2-5, 2011

Orlando, FL

NAEYC conferences bring together early childhood educators representing many roles -- teaching staff, program administrators, students, researchers and teacher educators -- to discuss the latest ideas and learn from one another. The NAEYC Annual Conference & Expo is the largest early childhood education conference in the world, where tens of thousands of educators choose from hundreds of presentations and exhibits. For more information visit:

<http://www.naeyc.org/events>

DEC 2011: The 27th Annual International Conference on Young Children with Special Needs and Their Families

November 17-19, 2011

National Harbor, MD

Watch for upcoming information available at: <http://www.dec-sped.org/Conference>

DEC members who are willing to volunteer for 4 hours may receive a 50% discounted registration fee. For more details contact Sandy Wilberger at slwilber@vcu.edu