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An email update from the National Professional Development Center on Inclusion and CONNECT: The Center to Mobilize Early Childhood Knowledge.

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Online Discussions

In conjunction with the 2010 Inclusion Institute, the following online discussions will be open for the month of May. We invite your comments and contributions.

Coaching and Consultation new

*Moderators: Brenda Dennis, Michelle Duda and Evelyn Shaw*

How do you develop competent and successful coaches? What is collaborative consultation and how is it being implemented? Join representatives from 3 inclusion-related projects for a discussion of coaching and consultation.

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2010 Inclusion Institute Bulletin Board new

Weigh-In: What’s your favorite place to eat in Chapel Hill during the Inclusion Institute? We’re inviting locals and prior Chapel Hill visitors to share dining suggestions with this year’s attendees. In addition, if you are planning to meet up with others for dining or discussion and would like to have others join you please share time and place here. We look forward to seeing you!

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Examples of Social Media in Early Childhood 35 comments

Moderators:  Jonathan Green, Chih-Ing Lim, Susan Stewart and Tracey West

As a lead up to the Social Media Session at this year’s Inclusion Institute we are seeking examples of social media being used in early childhood or related fields. Your examples will provide others in the field with examples of what social media looks like and how it can be used to promote inclusion. Thanks in advance!
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Quick Poll:  Does your organization have a social media presence?  Reply Here

Christine's Chronicles: An Intro to Minspeak 4 comments

Moderator: Christine Lindauer

Christine and Luke face an exciting new communication challenge. Christine Lindauer and Dr. Patsy Pierce will be presenting on strategies to encourage literacy at the 2010 Inclusion Institute.
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Measuring the Quality of Inclusion 29 comments

Moderators: Sharon Hope Irwin and Elena Soukakou

How do we know if we are providing high quality inclusion for young children with disabilities? Join us in discussing two new tools for measuring the quality of inclusion or preschool classes and programs.
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Announcements

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The 2010 Inclusion Institute is next week. We are expecting record attendance and over 45 sessions will be offered. The schedule of events and program are now available on the Discussions page.

Resources

Written comments to the US Department of Education's Listening and Learning about Early Learning Workforce and Professional Development Tour
The US Departments of Education and Health and Human Services are gathering input on topics related to early learning to inform their work. NPDCI has submitted written comments on professional development in early childhood in a new document.

**Download:** Building Integrated Professional Development Systems in Early Childhood: Recommendations for States

**Upcoming NPDCI and CONNECT Presentations**

**The Tenth National Early Childhood Inclusion Institute. Chapel Hill, NC. May, 2010**

- **Social Media: Seeding Collaboration to Promote Inclusion.**
  Three national inclusion projects share their social media experiences with blogs, wikis, Facebook, Twitter and more. Come share your ideas and get social!
  Presenters: Jonathan Green, Susan Stewart, Chih-Ing Lim, and Tracey West
- **Applications of the New NAECY/DEC Position Paper on Inclusion to Policy, PD and Practice.**
  Presenters: Camille Catlett and Heidi Hollingsworth
- **Get on the Road to Inclusion by Putting the Crowd in the Car.** Two evidence-based dialogic reading strategies and how to implement with children who can’t talk.
  Presenters: Patsy Pierce and Christine Lindauer
- **Incorporating Evidence-Based Practice into Professional Development to Support Inclusion.**
  Presenters: Pam Winton, Virginia Buysse, Maggie Connolly, Chih-Ing Lim, Christine Lindauer, and Beth Rous
- **Listening Session on the Proposed New Position Statement on RTI.**
  Presenters: Virginia Buysse and Camille Catlett
- **Program Quality and Inclusion: Issues, Innovations and Reactions.**
  Presenters: Virginia Buysse, Kelly Maxwell, Elena Soukakou, Beth Rous and Pam Winton
- **Promising Practices to Help Young Children Find Friends.**
  Presenters: Barbara Goldman and Heidi Hollingsworth
- **Resources and Tools to Support Development of a Statewide, Cross-Sector Professional Development System that Promotes Inclusion.**
  Presenters: Pam Winton, Camille Catlett, Virginia Buysse, Shelley DeFosset, and Tracey West
- **States' Experiences in the Development of Early Childhood Competencies That Support Inclusion.**
  Presenters: Tracey West and representatives from states
- **The Right Stuff: Methods and Materials for Preparing Personnel to Support Inclusion.**
  Presenters: Camille Catlett and Dayana Garcia

"Word of Mouse"

Your word is better than ours. Forward this issue to a colleague and let them know about the work our community is doing.

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