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ADA Audio Conference

ADA-Indiana is hosting a free audio conference on Title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act. The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) contracted with Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) to look at EEOC data on Title I complaints and resolutions collected since the implementation of the employment provisions of the ADA. Dr. Brian McMahon will give an overview of the project and what they have found out so far. There will be time allotted for questions and answers with the research team.

The audio conference will be held on Tuesday, March 20th from 2:00-3:30 p.m. (EDT) in five different Indiana locations and will be of special interest to employers, human resource personnel, state and local government officials, advocates, people with disabilities, and other interested community members. No pre-registration is required. SHRM and CRC credits are available. The session is free at the locations sponsored by ADA-Indiana.

ADA-Indiana site locations:

Bloomington, IN (2:00-3:30 p.m. EDT)
Indiana Institute on Disability and Community, Building L
2853 East Tenth Street

Evansville, IN (1:00-2:30 p.m. CDT)
University of Southern Indiana Campus
Science Center, Room 1212 (SC 1212)

Indianapolis, IN (2:00-3:30 p.m. EDT)
Indiana Government Center, Conference Room 2
402 West Washington Street

Indianapolis, IN (2:00 - 3:30 p.m. EDT)
Indiana Protection and Advocacy Services
4701 North Keystone Avenue, Suite 222

West Lafayette, IN (2:00 - 3:30 p.m. EDT)
Purdue University - West Lafayette Campus
Stewart Center, Room 320

If you are unable to attend the session at one of ADA-Indiana's sponsored sites, individuals and organizations can purchase access to the audio conference by visiting <http://www.ada-audio.org>. The cost is \$25.00 (for not-for-profits) and \$40.00 (for-profit entities).

For April, join ADA-Indiana to learn about the history and intent of the ADA Restoration Act and the future of legislation that may affect the civil rights of individuals with disabilities. For more information about these sessions, visit <http://www.adaindiana.org>, or contact Matt Norris at 1-800-825-4733 or e-mail adainfo@indiana.edu.

Event Date Change - How to Access School Readiness Workshop

The Early Childhood Center at the Institute has changed the date for their workshop entitled, How to Assess School Readiness: Research to Reality to March 26-27, 2007. The original February 15-16 date was cancelled due to adverse weather. The workshop will be held at MSD of Washington Township, Indianapolis. Because of the date change, you may still register for this event. An information and registration flyer is available online at: http://www.iidc.indiana.edu/ecc/documents/UDSpringWorkshopRegistration2007_006.pdf. For questions or to register, contact Jackie at (812) 855-6508 or email dutkowsk@indiana.edu.

Summer Institute on Autism Spectrum Disorders

The Institute's Indiana Resource Center for Autism will offer a five-day Summer Institute on Educating and Supporting Individuals Across the Autism Spectrum from June 11-15, 2007.

Topics to be addressed include:

- Introduction to autism spectrum disorders;
- The role of movement disorders;
- Person-centered planning;
- Functional behavioral assessments;
- Communication programming;
- Visual supports
- Social skills assessment and programming; and
- Instructional strategies.

Registration is \$350.00 per person. Three Indiana University graduate credits will be offered with enrollment on the first day of course. Graduate credit fees are determined by Indiana University . All sessions will be held at the Indiana Institute on Disability and Community in Bloomington. For content questions, contact Cathy Pratt at (812) 855-6508 or e-mail prattc@indiana.edu. For questions regarding registration, contact Diana Stille at (812) 855-6508 or e-mail dstille@indiana.edu. Visit <http://www.iidc.indiana.edu/irca/fconference.html> to download a registration form.

New Family Resource Website for Hoosiers with Children Birth to Age Five

The Early Childhood Meeting Place website <http://earlychildhoodmeetingplace.indiana.edu/> is a gateway to information, services, and resources for Indiana's early education professionals and families. This user-friendly site provides an events calendar, program resources, early education career opportunities, news, and agency and organization profiles.

Now, a new Family Information and Resources section has been added for Hoosier parents of young children, birth through age five years. This directory provides access to listings of family resources available in local communities, counties, and throughout the state. Information sections include:

- Community Resources;
- Child Care and Early Education;
- Health and Safety; and
- Parenting and Families.

If your agency or organization provides services for families and young children, birth through age five, please help spread the word! Informational materials such as posters, bookmarks, and flyers are available, free of charge, at <http://www.iidc.indiana.edu/ecc/ECMP/2007MktgOrderForm.pdf>.

Additionally, if your agency is not yet listed on the Early Childhood Meeting Place, please consider setting up an account to post information about your organization. This is a free service and access to the site is available 24/7. Please e-mail ecccenter@indiana.edu for more information.

The Early Childhood Meeting Place was established, and is hosted by the Early Childhood Center, Indiana Institute on Disability and Community, Indiana University, Bloomington . Additional funding and support the Family Information and Resources directory is provided by the Indiana State Department of Health, Maternal and Children's Special Health Care Services, Sunny Start Project.

Library Corner

New Items: The following new materials may be borrowed by Indiana residents from the Center for Disability Information and Referral (CeDIR) at the Institute. To check out materials, contact the library at 1-800-437-7924, send e-mail to cedir@indiana.edu, or come visit us at 2853 East Tenth Street in Bloomington.

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Tucker, B. (2004). Federal disability law in a nutshell. St. Paul, MN: Thomson/West.

- See more at: <http://www.iidc.indiana.edu/index.php?pagelid=40&newsId=74&newsType=2#sthash.QxELZisT.dpuf>