

FYI Newsletter April 5, 2010

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UPCOMING

RFF PROPOSAL ON ASSET DEVELOPMENT AND FINANCIAL LITERACY: The Indiana Institute's Center for Community Living and Careers will distribute a Request for Funding Proposal on April 12 focusing on asset development and financial literacy for people with disabilities.

The Medicaid Infrastructure Grant (MIG) ASSET DEVELOPMENT Leadership Committee is excited to announce a new opportunity for financial stability coalitions in Indiana. The MIG Asset Development Leadership Committee is composed of representatives from the Vocational Rehabilitation Services; the Internal Revenue Service (IRS); Indiana Association of United Ways (IaUW); the Indiana Department of Housing and Community Development (IHCD); Community Rehabilitation Program (CRPs) providers and Community Mental Health Centers; Independent Living Centers; other disability organizations; and the Center on Community Living and Careers (CCLC) at the Indiana Institute on Disability and Community (IIDC) at Indiana University.

The Request for Funding will provide up to 5 existing coalitions with \$10,000 and up to 2 new or emerging coalitions with \$15,000 in financial support to enhance the participation of persons with disabilities in asset development and financial literacy activities as clearly outlined in their proposal and consistent with the parameters outlined in the RFF. Funding is provided from September 1, 2010 through December 31, 2011. The RFF will be available April 12, 2010 in the ANNOUNCEMENT box on the CCLC Website at <http://www.iidc.indiana.edu/index.php?pageId=18>.

INDEPENDENT STUDY COURSE ON SERVICE LEARNING: The Institute's Center on Education and Lifelong Learning is offering an independent study summer course titled Voices of Service (F401/W505). The course will focus on how service can engage the diverse needs of students by aligning with academic learning and social change.

Students will critically examine the limits and strengths of service in social change as they learn about issues of poverty – statistics and implications as related to a need they have documented. They will be able to experience a sense of efficacy as they enhance their ability to hear, dialogue, and reflect on the issues addressed.

This three credit hour EDUC course is being offered to students in all academic areas during the summer term, 2010. Students enrolled in the class will be expected to meet with the instructor to contract for an individualized serve learning goal statement that aligns course content to individual personal, educational and career goals. The instructor will help to facilitate a service component if necessary. Outcomes include:

- Increasing awareness of issues and resources that impact the needs to be addressed with the service;
- Developing collaboration and civic engagement skills that connect, strengthen, and sustain social change;
- Providing service to help address an identified need and reflection; and
- Preparing a final product to be shared at a public forum.

For more information, contact Cate Hart at (812) 855-6508 or e-mail camhart@indiana.edu.

FAMILY TO FAMILY WEBSITE REDESIGN LAUNCHED: The Institute's Early Childhood Center has launched their

new Family to Family website and invites parents of young children and professionals to visit! Additionally, the Center has launched an F2F Facebook page and invites you to join their online community. For more information on F2F, contact Cathy Beard at (812) 855-6508, e-mail beardc@indiana.edu or visit <http://www.inf2f.org/>. For Facebookers, visit <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Indiana-Family-to-Family/377867197610>.

ON CAMPUS

MOVING TO NEW DIGS: Indiana University's School of Continuing Studies is moving to a new location. While SCS staff are sad to be leaving their current home close to the center of the historic "Old Crescent" on the IU Bloomington campus, they are looking forward to being able to offer, among other things, more convenient parking to students and other visitors. After April 12, our offices will be located at 408 N. Union St., Bloomington, IN 47405. For more information on the School of Continuing Studies, visit <http://scs.indiana.edu/>.

NEWS ACROSS TOWN

COUNCIL FOR COMMUNITY ACCESSIBILITY ANNOUNCES POSTER COMPETITION: The City of Bloomington Council for Community Accessibility (CCA) is calling for entries in its newly created disability and accessibility awareness poster competition.

The competition runs now through the end of May. Prizes will be awarded to selected entries and announced at the July celebration of the 20th anniversary of the signing of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

All poster submissions should highlight a disability and/or accessibility issue and can include graphic design, drawing, painting or photography, and all entries must include a registration form. Information about the competition and registration forms are available at the Community and Family Resources Department at City Hall, 401 North Morton Street, Suite 260, or online at <http://bloomington.in.gov/cca>. For information, contact Craig Brenner at (812) 349-3471 or brennerc@bloomington.in.gov.

NEWS ACROSS INDIANA

WEBINAR - REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION LEGAL UPDATE: Reasonable accommodation issues continue to be one of the most frequently litigated issues under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Mark your calendars for Wednesday, April 7 from 2:00-3:30 p.m. and plan to view a free webinar focusing on the identification of the major trends arising in reasonable accommodation cases and analyze recent court decisions interpreting the reasonable accommodation provisions of the ADA.

Barry Taylor, JD, Director of Legal Services for Equip for Equality (Illinois Protection and Advocacy Program), will be the featured speaker. The webinar is free but you must register to participate. To Register visit <http://www.ada-audio.org/Webinar/ADALegal/> (click on the "Register" web link to start the process). There are a few Indiana organizations hosting the webinar for the public. Please visit the ADA-Indiana website if you are interested in attending at one of those locations: <http://www.adaindiana.org/webinars>.

LIBRARY CORNER

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

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Harrison, G., & Willis, D. (2009). When did I get old? Reflections on aging today. Indianapolis, IN: WFYI Productions.

Marrella, D. (2009). The me you don't know: A gift of knowledge for my future caregivers. Sanford, FL: DC Press.

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- See more at: <http://www.iidc.indiana.edu/index.php?pagelId=40&newsId=233&newsType=2#sthash.vcUwh0S.dpuf>