

FYI Newsletter January 10, 2011

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UPCOMING

ADA NATIONAL NETWORK WEBINARS: The ADA National Network will host three ADA-focused webinars in January. These webinars are free to the public but registration is required.

Tuesday, January 11, 2011

2:00 - 3:30 p.m. EST

Social Networking to Your Advantage

Social networking sites, like Facebook, are all the rage, but can they really improve your work place productivity, visibility, and connections? This webinar will discuss which social network sites are accessible and might work best for you. Case studies from users with disabilities will be provided.

To Register visit <http://www.ada-audio.org/Webinar/AccessibleTechnology/> (click on the "Register" web link to start the process).

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2:00 - 3:30 p.m. EST

Telephone Hold Time in ADA Paratransit

This webinar will address the ADA requirements and best operational practices for avoiding long telephone hold times and for measuring hold times. It will also discuss other important operational practices including minimizing hold times for "Where's My Ride" calls, avoiding secondary holds, ensuring there aren't busy signals, avoiding limits on the number of trip requests per call, avoiding misinterpretation of the 50% subscription service cap, and other practices that can affect telephone hold time. There will be time for participant questions.

To Register see <http://www.adaconferences.org/Transportation> (click on the "Registration" web link on the right side navigation list to register).

Wednesday, January 19, 2011

2:00 - 3:30 p.m. EST

Top 10 ADA Cases of 2010

A number of significant ADA cases were decided in 2010. In the spirit of David Letterman, this session will review the top 10 ADA cases of 2010. In addition to reviewing the specific facts and ruling in each case, there will also be a discussion of the impact these cases may have on future ADA litigation. This webinar promises to cover a wide variety of ADA issues, and may include a case or two that will surprise you.

To Register, visit <http://www.ada-audio.org/Webinar/ADALegal/> (click on the "Register" web link to start the process).

The ADA National Network provides information, guidance and training on the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), tailored to meet the needs of business, government and individuals at local, regional and national levels. The ADA National Network consists of ten Regional ADA National Network Centers located throughout the United States that provides personalized, local assistance to ensure that the ADA is implemented wherever possible. The ADA National Network is not an enforcement or regulatory agency, but a helpful resource supporting the ADA's mission to "make it possible for everyone with a disability to live a life of freedom and equality."

Search for comprehensive ADA information, services, products, training and guidelines, or visit your Regional ADA National Network Center Website for local events and support.

REGIONAL WORKSHOPS - WHEN ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS: The Institute's Indiana Resource Center for Autism and Early Childhood Center will offer two regional workshops designed to build an understanding of how different behaviors are communicative, to understand what their messages might be, and how to begin to interpret those messages and to provide positive approaches for supporting behavior.

When Actions Speak Louder than Words presents a different perspective to support developmental strategies that encourage positive behaviors. This is crucial information to consider so that when an individual "misbehaves" we can learn to pause and ask, "What is this individual saying?"

Training dates and locations are:

- February 3, 2011, Lafayette, IN
- March 2, 2011, Evansville, IN.

This workshop is geared for early childhood providers, preschool and day care providers, early elementary teachers both general and special education, administrators, autism consultants, speech therapists, psychologists, family members, and any other professionals working with young children with or without disabilities.

Registration fee is \$125.00 per person and includes a copy of the book *When Actions Speak Louder than Words*. If you have questions about the workshop content, contact Kim Davis davisk@indiana.edu or (812) 855-6508.

Registration questions should be directed to Donna Beasley at dbeasley@indiana.edu or (812) 855-650.

Visit <http://www.iidc.indiana.edu/index.php?pageId=32> for more information.

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WORKSHOP ON CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY ROLES IN FAMILIES: Riley Child Development Center will host a special Child's Play workshop on Friday, January 28th, from 9:00 to 4:00 p.m. for professionals, students, and families. The workshop entitled Cultural and Community Roles in Shaping Conditions of Change in Families, will be held at the Riley Hospital for Children Conference Center Rooms A-B, 702 Barnhill Drive, Indianapolis, IN.

Riley Child Development center Associate Director, Stephan Viehweg, ACSW, LCSW will be the featured presenter. Attendees will:

- Discover individual beliefs and biases related to our own culture;
- Become familiar with cultural considerations of our work;
- Recognize and value cultural differences;
- Explore reframing statements and questions; and
- Consider a personal action plan for further cultural competency.

To register for this workshop, visit <http://pediatrics.iupui.edu/body.cfm?id=1131> . Complete course and presenter information is available at <http://pediatrics.iupui.edu/body.cfm?id=1124> . For additional information, call the Riley Child Development Center at (317) 944-8167, or e-mail Rylin Rodgers at ryrodger@iupui.edu.

HOST A HEART GALLERY! The Indiana Heart Gallery (<http://www.in.gov/dcs/3033.htm>) is a state wide traveling exhibit featuring portraits of children who want to be adopted. The Indiana Heart Gallery is looking for new locations in which to display the Gallery for 2011 and would like your help. The Gallery has been featured throughout the state at libraries, community centers, Y's, Churches, malls, hospitals, businesses, festivals, special events – wherever individuals and families gather.

The Gallery is self-contained and compact, using floor space approximately 6 feet by 6 feet. There is no set up or maintenance required; we handle the delivery, set up, and take down. The Gallery can be hosted for a day, a week or more. If you have an interest or know the perfect location for a Heart Gallery display please contact us at icanhelpkids@indianaheartgallery.org.

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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.

Kleinert, H. L., Kearns, J. F., & Wiener, D. J. (2010). *Alternate assessment for students with significant cognitive disabilities: An educator's guide*. Baltimore: Paul H. Brookes Publishing Co.

Preiser, W. F. E., & Smith, K. H. (2011). *Universal design handbook*. New York: McGraw-Hill.

Wehman, P. (2010). *Essentials of transition planning*. Baltimore: Paul H. Brookes Publishing Co.

- See more at: <http://www.iidc.indiana.edu/index.php?pagelD=40&newsId=284&newsType=2#sthash.KjBZVXqk.dpuf>