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## UPCOMING



### ADA Indiana Audio Conference

What are the responsibilities of colleges and universities under the various disability laws to provide extracurricular athletic opportunities for students with disabilities? This month's audio conference is a special session being offered in collaboration with the Institute for Human Centered Design in response to the recent guidance provided by the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights clarifying public elementary and secondary schools obligations under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 to provide extracurricular athletic opportunities for students with disabilities.

Session presenters will provide practical advice on how colleges and universities can better integrate students with disabilities into mainstream athletic programs, as well as how to create adapted programs.

"Athletic Opportunities for Students with Disabilities: Focus on Colleges and Universities"

Tuesday, August 20th  
2:00-3:30 pm EASTERN

9 Indiana Locations  
Free and Open to the Public

Locations include Bloomington, Fort Wayne, Gary, Indianapolis, Muncie,



Rockport, Terre Haute, Versailles, and West Lafayette. [Click](#) for more specific information about these site locations. If you can't make it to one of the hosted locations, visit our [website](#) to find out more about other options, some are available at no cost!

For more information about this session, contact Matt Norris at (812) 855-6508, or e-mail [adainfo@indiana.edu](mailto:adainfo@indiana.edu). The Indiana ADA Audio Conference program is sponsored by ADA-Indiana, [Great Lakes ADA Center](#), and the [Indiana Governor's Council for People with Disabilities](#).

### Call for Participants

The Institute's [Center on Aging and Community](#), in collaboration with U-Indy, is facilitating a five-day training in both Shelbyville and Crawfordsville this fall. The training focuses on understanding the concepts of "Livable Communities" as well as teaching skills needed to advocate for those concepts in one's own community. The project is supporting 10 people with disabilities and 10 older adults in each of the chosen communities. We need your help in identifying participants in the target communities.

The training dates and locations are:

- Shelbyville: September 25, 26 and October 8, 9 and 24
- Crawfordsville: October 1, 2, 15, 16 and 30

Those who attend will:

Gain knowledge of the latest information on livability concepts and how to apply them in your community;

Examine examples of livable communities advocacy that inspire action;

Explore new ways to build effective collaborations to encourage action and success; and

Practice putting a variety of advocacy skills into action.

For more information or to recommend a participant, contact [Jennie Todd](#), Research Associate, Center on Aging and Community, at (812) 855-6508 or e-mail [jeptodd@indiana.edu](mailto:jeptodd@indiana.edu).

### NEW PROJECT



#### First Steps Quality Review System

The Institute's [Early Childhood Center](#) has received funding from Indiana's [First Steps](#) program to design and carry out its quality review system. The main purpose of the quality review system has been to assure that state and local First Steps programs operate and provide early intervention services in compliance with important state and federal regulations. The Center will collaborate with the First Steps program to expand this effort to focus on quality and the implementation of evidence-based practices in the field of early intervention. Center staff will work with state and local practitioners to move from a compliance monitoring approach to one that adopts a continuous quality improvement framework. This framework will focus on those practices and services that bring about positive outcomes for the infants, toddlers, and families who receive First Steps services. For more information, contact [Michael Conn-Powers](#) at (812) 855-

6508 or e-mail [mipower@indiana.edu](mailto:mipower@indiana.edu).

## NEW STAFF



### Jordan Joins the Staff of IRCA

Kristi Jordan has joined the Institute's [Indiana Resource Center for Autism](#) as an Educational Consultant and Research Associate. [Jordan](#) received her degree in occupational therapy from Indiana University in 1999. She has provided therapy evaluation and treatment in a variety of settings, including inpatient and outpatient pediatrics, school-based therapy, sensory clinics, skilled-nursing facilities, and rehabilitation centers to individuals across the lifespan. She has worked in Indiana, Illinois, and California. Welcome Kristi!



### Early Childhood Center Hires Two New Staff

The [Early Childhood Center](#) at the Institute has brought on board two new staff members who will be working on its recently funded contract to carry out the [First Steps](#) Quality Review System.

Janet Ballard comes to the Center from SCCAP Head Start where she implemented the Early Head Start program for Monroe County where she was the Family Services Coordinator. She has 17 years of experience working in the Indiana First Steps system as a direct provider, Eligibility Determination Team member, LPCC Coordinator, and State Program Consultant. She has lived in Bloomington for 23 years with her husband and family.

Katie Herron has a Ph.D. in Psychology from Indiana University. She first experienced early intervention as a parent, and then went on to do service coordination, family advocacy, transition work, and First Steps public outreach. She currently serves as the chair of the City of Bloomington Council for Community Accessibility. She is excited about the opportunity to learn new things as she begins her work at the Early Childhood Center. Welcome Janet and Katie!

## IN INDIANA

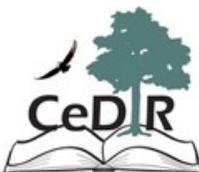
### The ARC of Indiana Food Fest



Join [The Arc of Indiana](#) on Friday, August 23, from 11:00a.m. – 2:00 p.m., on the Circle in Indianapolis for an opportunity to enjoy lunch from some of Indy's best food trucks! [Food Fest](#) proceeds will support individuals with disabilities. Tickets will be available on the 23rd or pre-event tickets can be purchased from The Arc online at [www.arcind.org](http://www.arcind.org).

## LIBRARY CORNER

### New Library Collection Items



Films for the Humanities & Sciences (Firm), & Films Media Group. (2012). Rett: There Is Hope – Case Studies, Family Portraits, and the Search for a

Cure. New York, NY: Films Media Group.

Grandin, T., & Panek, R. (2013). The autistic brain: Thinking across the spectrum. Boston: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt.

Hoopmann, K. (2013). Inside Asperger's looking out. London: Jessica Kingsley Publishers.

Miller-Lachmann, L. (2013). Rogue: A novel. New York, NY: Nancy Paulsen Books.

These new materials may be borrowed from the [Center for Disability Information and Referral](#) (CeDIR) at the Institute. To check out materials, please call the library at 800-437-7924, send us an e-mail at [cedir@indiana.edu](mailto:cedir@indiana.edu), or come by and visit us at 2853 East Tenth Street in Bloomington.

- See more at: <http://www.iidc.indiana.edu/index.php?pagelId=40&newsId=442&newsType=2#sthash.jLZJdSVZ.dpuf>