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## UPCOMING



### Audio Conference on Assistive Technologies

June's [ADA-Indiana](#) audio conference will provide an overview of innovative assistive technologies for individuals with intellectual, cognitive, and communication disabilities or disorders for use at home, school, work, and the community, including options to improve autonomous independence while also providing remote support and other strategies for inclusive environments.

Some of the topics will include Smart Home technologies, monitoring technologies, apps, employment supports, community mobility and mobile technologies that can be customized to meet specific needs.

*Cognitive Innovations to Promote Independence in the Home  
and in the Community*

Tuesday, June 16th  
2:00-3:30 p.m. EASTERN

5 Indiana Locations  
[Free and Open to the Public](#)

Or [register](#) for the webcast on your own

Sandy Hanebrink, Executive Director of Touch the Future, Inc. will be the featured presenter. Touch the Future, Inc. provides innovative assistive technologies that promote independence at home, in schools, at work, and in the community.

If you are unable to attend at one of the hosted locations, register for the free web streaming of the session by [clicking here](#).

For more Information, 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](#).

### Monroe County History Center Celebrates 25th Anniversary of the ADA

In recognition of the 25th Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and the 40th Anniversary of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), the [Monroe County History Center](#) Community Voices Gallery will feature a 5 week exhibit on the history of disability in Monroe County.

The purpose of the exhibit is to preserve the history of the disability movement and its impact on individuals, families, and community; celebrate milestones in the development of services and supports; and educate the public about the changing role and position of individuals with disabilities in Monroe County. The exhibit includes fascinating profiles of local residents Byron Smith, Carl Selby (deceased) and Carolyn Abbitt, whose art work will also be on display in the lower gallery.

A reception to open the exhibit will occur on Friday, June 19, 12-2 pm at the History Center. All are welcome. The reception is being coordinated with a visit to Bloomington of the ADA Legacy Tour bus, which is currently visiting 50 US cities, with a culminating celebration in Washington, D.C. on July 26, 2015. The Monroe County History Center is located at 202 East 6th Street, Bloomington. Museum hours are Tuesday - Saturday, 10-4 p.m. For more information, phone (812) 332-2517.



### Free Webinar: Behavior Tips for Parents and Professionals

Summer is always a difficult time for children on the autism spectrum who have challenging behaviors. This free webinar, scheduled for June 19, 2015 starting at 1:30 p.m. EDT, features [Cathy Pratt](#) Ph.D., BCBA-D, Director of the Institute's [Indiana Resource Center for Autism](#) and Eustacia Cutler (mother of Temple Grandin). The pair will discuss behavior tips for parents and professionals for the summer months and in planning for the upcoming school year. [Click](#) for more information or to register.



### iCan Bike Camp Rider Registration Deadline June 15! Only 8 Spaces Left!

The *iCan Bike* program teaches individuals with disabilities how to ride a conventional bike and will be at the Frank Southern Ice Arena in Bloomington the week of August 17-21, 2015.

iCan Bike riders are children ages 8 and up, teens, and sometimes adults who have a diagnosed disability. iCan Bike uses a fleet of adapted bicycles, a specialized instructional program and trained staff to teach individuals with disabilities how to ride a bike. Riders attend the same 75-minute session after school each day for five consecutive days. Registration is \$150; partial scholarships are available. [Click](#) for registration information. For questions [click](#) to e-mail.

## COMINGS AND GOINGS



### Interactive Institute on Part C and B, IDEA

[Michael Conn-Powers](#) and [Janet Ballard](#) of the Indiana Institute's [Early Childhood Center](#) and Katie Potter, First Steps Program Consultant, attended the *Interactive Institute for Part C and Part B of IDEA* in Chicago, IL May 27-28, 2015.

The Institute was focused on moving forward to the second phase of the 5-year State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP) which is a part of the Annual Performance Report. States presented ideas and strategies on what their State Identified Measurable Results (SiMR) was and how they were planning to move forward. Good information was shared to assist the Center with moving Indiana's First Steps program toward Phase 2 of the SSIP.

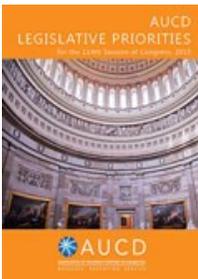


### Stafford to Atlanta

[Dr. Philip Stafford](#), Director of the Institute's Center on Aging and Community will be moderating discussion at an upcoming working conference in Atlanta, GA on June 16-17.

The goal of the conference is to create a "value proposition" for age-friendly community interventions – help better understand and document how local governments can derive economic benefit from age-friendly development. Leaders in the fields of transportation, urban planning and placemaking will be contributing to the discussion.

## FROM AUCD



### AUCD Legislative Priorities: 114th Congress

The [Association of University Centers on Disabilities](#) (AUCD) works to ensure that all people with disabilities have access to all aspects of society, including excellent education, health care, career paths, community resources, and economic opportunities.

During the 113th Congress, large bipartisan majorities voted to reauthorize the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act

(WIOA) and pass the Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act. These two critical new laws support the idea that every young person with a significant disability should be prepared for success in the competitive labor market and should be able to get the long-term services and supports they need.

AUCD applauds these developments and looks forward to working on a bipartisan basis with the new Congress to build on this progress as we celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the 40th anniversary of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

[AUCD Legislative Priorities](#) for the 114th Session of Congress, 2015 include:

- Employment
- Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS) in the Community
- Health Care
- Social Security
- Education

## NEW LIBRARY COLLECTION ITEMS



### Library Corner

- Alpern, G. D., & Allen, J. (2007). *Developmental profile 3, DP-3: Manual*. Los Angeles, CA: Western Psychological Services.
- Delmolino, L. (2015). *Solve common teaching challenges in children with autism: 8 essential strategies for professionals & parents*. Bethesda, MD: Woodbine House.
- Ellis, J. T., Almeida, C., & Ferrari, N. (2014). *Socially savvy: An assessment and curriculum guide for young children*. New York, NY: Different Roads to Learning, Inc., DRI Books, Inc.
- Gilliam, J. E. (2014). *GARS-3: Gilliam autism rating scale*. Austin, TX: Pro-ed.
- Indiana Resource Center for Autism. (2015). *Training for Indiana's first responders: Recognizing and responding appropriately to individuals with autism spectrum disorders*. Bloomington, IN: Indiana University, Indiana Institute on Disability and Community.

These new materials may be borrowed from the [Center for Disability Information and Referral](#) (CeDIR) at the Institute. To check out materials, contact the library at 800-437-7924, send an e-mail to [cedir@indiana.edu](mailto:cedir@indiana.edu), or visit us at 1905 North Range Road in Bloomington.



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