

FYI Newsletter May 9, 2011

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- ADA-Indiana Audio Conference
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UPCOMING

ADA-INDIANA AUDIO CONFERENCE: Are you planning to go see Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing* or a Lady Gaga Concert? Maybe you prefer going to see the rodeo or your local baseball team play? Either way, if you are a wheelchair user or are looking to purchase tickets for accessible seating, you may find that things have changed.

Tuesday, May 17th
2:00-3:30 pm EASTERN

7 Indiana Locations
Free and Open to the Public

This month's audio conference, *Buying Tickets: ADA Ticketing Regulations and You*, will focus on the new section on ticketing in the Revised Regulations for the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). There are new obligations and responsibilities for ticket-selling venues and vendors. Some of the topics to be covered include accessible seating, purchasing tickets, purchasing companion seats, transferring tickets, and distribution and pricing of wheelchair accessible locations.

Presenters will include Betty Siegel, Manager of Accessibility, John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and Kleo King, Senior Vice president of Accessibility Services, United Spinal Association.

Site locations include Bloomington, Gary, Indianapolis, Terre Haute, Versailles, Vincennes, and West Lafayette. Visit the ADA-Indiana website at <http://www.adaindiana.org/audio> for more specific information about these site locations.

For additional information about this session, please contact Matt Norris at (812) 855-6508 or e-mail 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](#).

REGISTER NOW FOR THE INDIANA STATEWIDE TRANSITION FORUM: We hope to see students, families, teachers, transition personnel, administrators, vocational rehabilitation counselors and adult service providers in Indianapolis on August 3 and 4, 2011, at the Sheraton Hotel and Suites for Lights Camera Action... A Student-Directed Production, a statewide secondary transition forum.

The Forum, presented by the Indiana Secondary Transition Resource Center, part of the Center on Community Living and Careers at the Institute and sponsored by the Indiana Department of Education, will feature national and state speakers on Best Practices in Work-Place Learning for Students with Disabilities, Being the Manager of Your Own Healthcare, Improving Transition IEPs, Using iPods at Worksites, and sessions on at-risk students, lesson starts, employment, college, co-teaching, classroom supports, and much more.

Registration fee is \$105.00 per person and covers the cost of two-days of lunch, a reception, and coffee/drinks at break. Register online and receive an instant registration confirmation; pay by check, purchase order, or credit card (in order to pay by credit card you MUST register online). The deadline for registration is July 25, 2011. Visit <https://www.confmanager.com/main.cfm?cid=2494> to register.

Make your reservation online at <http://www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/transition>. A block of rooms have been reserved for your convenience at the Sheraton Hotel and Suites, 8787 Keystone Crossing, Indianapolis, 46240. Please call (800) 325-3535 or (317) 846-2700 and refer to "Transition Forum" to reserve your rooms at the discounted rate. Book your room early to ensure availability. The cut-off date for accepting reservations into the room

block is 5 p.m., July 2, 2011.

For more information, go to <http://www.iidc.indiana.edu/index.php?pageId=3416> and download the 2011 Statewide Transition Forum brochure.

ACROSS THE COURTYARD

PARENT SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS: The Institute's Indiana Resource Center for Autism has just released its parent group meeting schedule for 2011. Geared for family members of individuals who have a diagnosis along the autism spectrum, topics to be addressed include Practical Behavioral Strategies for the Home, Visual Supports for the Home, Social Security Benefits and Employment Training, and much more!

Visit <http://www.iidc.indiana.edu/styles/iidc/defiles/IRCA/parent%20groups%20for%202011.pdf> to download the meeting schedule.

IN BLOOMINGTON

MHA ADVOCACY FORUM: Mental Health America will host a Forum titled Safety Nets for Individuals with Mental Illness and Developmental Disabilities: A Legislative Review, on Tuesday, May 17, 2011 from 5:30-7:00 p.m. at the Monroe County Public Library. The Forum is free and open to the public.

A panel discussion with Dennis Morrison, Moderator, CEO, Centerstone Research Institute; Matt Pierce, Indiana State Representative; John Dickerson, Executive Director, The Arc of Indiana; and Stephen McCaffery, President, Mental Health America of Indiana will address:

- The state of health care reform at the state and federal levels;
- Specific implications for behavioral health the impact of the Indiana budget on social services for those with mental illness and/or developmental disabilities; and
- The issues, changes, and impact for those with developmental disability and/or mental illness.

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.

Hyerle, D., Alper, L., & Wolfe, P. (2011). Student successes with thinking maps: School-based research, results, and models for achievement using visual tools. Thousand Oaks, Calif: Corwin Press. (Call Number: 16 .H96 2011)

Taylor, J. F., & Wilson, L. F. (2011). Learn to have fun with your senses: The sensory avoider's survival guide. Arlington, TX: Sensory World. (Call Number: 6 .T39)

Tupper, L. N., & Bersani, S. (2009). My sister, Alicia May. Raynham Center, MA: Pleasant St. Press. (Call Number: 20.1 .L5)

- See more at: <http://www.iidc.indiana.edu/index.php?pageId=40&newsId=304&newsType=2#sthash.NaU9saNB.dpuf>