



## Indiana Institute on Disability and Community



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#### UPCOMING



##### ADA Audio Conference

This month's ADA Audio Conference, to be held March 18th, will be the final session in a three-part series on "Transition and Barrier Removal Planning under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)." The series has featured Irene Bowen, a former DOJ Deputy Chief, and James Terry, Chief Executive Officer and Architect with Evan Terry Associates.

Tuesday, March 18th  
2:00-3:30 pm EASTERN

## 9 Indiana Locations

Free and Open to the Public

This month's audio conference will build on the information presented in the January and February sessions (both are archived online at <http://www.ada-audio.org>) on self-evaluations and the planning process under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). In this session, participants will learn about the U.S. Department of Justice's specific requirements for transition plans and what it suggests for barrier removal plans, what the U.S. Department of Transportation looks for from its highway fund recipients, and then any other factors to consider.

The presenters will suggest strategies to enlist staff in creating action steps for each program, identify responsibilities, establish priorities and time lines, and track steps toward remediation. James Terry, an architect who has assisted with numerous transition plans and barrier removal plans, will bring his practical experience to bear on these issues, and on how to tie corrective actions to the planning and budgeting process.

Audio conference locations include Bloomington, Gary, Indianapolis (two locations), Lafayette, Marion, Terre Haute, Versailles, and West Lafayette. [Click](#) for more 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](#).



## School Readiness Online Course

The Institute's Early Childhood Center is offering an upcoming online course, "Research to Practice for School Readiness." The online course addresses the findings from the Center's research study, "Assessing Indiana's Early Education Classrooms."

There will be four sessions, each an hour-and-a-half-long for a total of six contact hours. The registration cost is \$40.00. Sessions are scheduled for Eastern Daylight Savings. Two sessions will be held on each date and you may attend either session with session times being from 12:30 to 2:00 p.m. and 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 9

Topic 1: Research to Practice in Indiana

Michael Conn-Powers, Ph.D., Director of the Early Childhood Center

Wednesday, April 16

Topic 2: Instructional Strategies

[Michael Conn-Powers](#), Ph.D., Director of the Early Childhood Center

Wednesday, April 23

Topic 3: Rethinking How We Use Classroom Time

[Susan D. Dixon](#), MS CCC-SLP, Consultant

Wednesday, April 30  
Topic 4: What Is It about Effective Curriculum that Promotes Learning?

[Alice Frazier Cross](#), Ed.D., Research Associate

 [Click](#) to to access the "Research to Practice for School Readiness" flyer. Information includes:

Online registration information and cost;  
Technical requirements for participating through Adobe Connect; and

A description of each session.

[Click](#) to register. For questions, contact Alice Frazier Cross at [afcross@indiana.edu](mailto:afcross@indiana.edu) or by calling (812) 855-2145.



### TEACCH® 5-Day Classroom Training Program

Thinking about the warmer days of summer? Continue those thoughts and mark your calendars and plan to attend TEACCH®, a 5-Day Classroom Training Program on structured teaching for students on the autism spectrum, June 16-20, 2014, at the Edgewood Early Childhood Center, Ellettsville, IN.

Research consistently indicates that individuals with an autism spectrum disorder (ASD) respond favorably to a structured environment. This workshop will provide participants with an understanding of how and why to implement structured teaching strategies, such as visual schedules, work systems and deliberately designed work materials.

What They're Saying ...

"The value of working with students was awesome. Actually seeing them learn and use the systems was priceless." -- Participant, 2013 TEACCH® Training

"Great! I enjoyed the groups, learned from my peers and enjoyed seeing things through their lens." -- Participant, 2013 TEACCH® Training

"The experiences with the students were really eye-opening, challenging and inspiring. I learned a lot!" -- Participant, 2013 TEACCH® Training

"Most helpful? The trainers modeling the techniques of introducing/teaching schedule and being less vocal (with students)." -- Participant, 2013 TEACCH® Training

Registration fee for this workshop is \$1990.00. Payment is by credit card or purchase order and is limited to 25 participants only. The program runs from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. each day. Please make your travel plans accordingly. Continental breakfast begins at 8:00 a.m. Registration fee does not include travel, dinner or accommodations, but lunch and refreshments are provided each day.

TEACCH® is sponsored by the Institute's [Indiana Resource Center for Autism](#) in collaboration with Forest Hills Special Education Cooperative. For registration questions, contact Donna Beasley ([dbeasley@indiana.edu](mailto:dbeasley@indiana.edu)) or (812) 855-6508. [Click](#) to register. For questions pertaining to workshop

content, contact [Catherine Davies \(daviesc@indiana.edu\)](mailto:daviesc@indiana.edu) at (812) 855-6508.

## COMINGS AND GOINGS



### Frazier Cross to Present at INARF

[Alice Frazier Cross](#), Research Associate with the Indiana Institute's [Early Childhood Center](#), will be presenting at the [Indiana Association of Rehabilitation Facilities \(INARF\)](#) Conference this week. Her presentation, "Designing Effective Transitions to Kindergarten: Applying the Research," will be Thursday March 13th, 10:45 to 12:00.

The 2014 INARF Pre-Conference and Annual Conference, March 12-14, 2014 at the Sheraton Indianapolis, will welcome over 500 attendees from around the state of Indiana seeking professional development, networking, and opportunities to gain knowledge of products and services available to assist them in providing support to individuals with developmental disabilities.

For 40 years, INARF has brought together Hoosier providers who strive to provide innovative and effective services for persons with disabilities. This year, we celebrate our Ruby Anniversary, recognizing the members whose contributions have made INARF what it is today. After four decades of growth and influence, INARF is 77 institutional members and 44 associate members strong.

## IN INDIANA



### One-Day Workshop on Personal Outcome Measures and Person-Centered Planning

The [Council on Quality and Leadership \(CQL\)](#) is hosting a one-day workshop titled "Personal Outcome Measures and Person-Centered Planning: Getting to What Really Matters," to be held Wednesday, April 30, 2014 at the Valle Vista Conference Center, Greenwood, Indiana.

Sessions topics include:

Building Social Capital into the Lives of the People We Support;  
Using Personal Outcome Measures® to Inform the Person-centered Plan;  
Basic Assurances® Factor 10: Trend analysis for organizational change;  
Deemed Status and CQL Person-centered Excellence Accreditation Updates; and  
Twenty Years of Personal Outcome Measures® Data: Using this Data in Trend Analysis for Systems Change.

Speakers include:

Kathy Carmody, MSW is the Chief of Staff at the Ray Graham Association. She has spent more than 30 years supporting people to create meaningful lives by using person-centered planning to achieve outcomes and pursue their goals.

Cathy Ficker Terrill, MS is the CEO of CQL | The Council on Quality and Leadership. Prior to coming to CQL, as the

Executive Director of a provider organization she used CQL's Personal Outcome Measures® as an effective tool for transformation.

Becky Hansen, MA is the Vice President for Accreditation and Training at CQL. She has worked extensively in human services in a variety of positions and is a passionate advocate for people. She has hands on practical experience implementing Personal Outcome Measures® and utilizing data to impact organizational change.

[Registration fee](#) is \$100.00 per person and includes lunch. For more information, contact Marie Hale, The Council on Quality Leadership, at (850) 712-2367 or e-mail [communications@thecouncil.org](mailto:communications@thecouncil.org).

For more than 40 years CQL has been a leader in working with human service organizations and systems to continuously define, measure and improve the quality of life of all people. Services that are person-centered ... that support each person to live his or her own life - to plan, to contribute, to participate, to choose; and to be respected and valued is what really matters. CQL offers consultation, accreditation, training and certification services to organizations and systems that share our vision of dignity, opportunity and community for all people.

## IN BLOOMINGTON



### Council for Community Accessibility Announces Activities for Disability and Accessibility Awareness Months

March and April offer many opportunities to consider how welcoming our community is to people with disabilities. Bloomington joins communities across Indiana in observing March as Disability Awareness Month and April as Accessibility Awareness Month. Bloomington joins communities across Indiana in observing March as Disability Awareness Month and April as Accessibility Awareness Month.

The City of Bloomington's [Council for Community Accessibility](#) (CCA) has put together a calendar of activities that will take place in Bloomington, including events on the campuses of Indiana University and Ivy Tech Community College, during March and April. Individuals with disabilities, family members, service providers and fellow community members are encouraged to participate in the listed activities. [Click](#) to access the calendar.

In addition to the calendar, members of the CCA are providing weekly articles for publication in The Herald-Times, making presentations in local schools, participating in a panel discussion at [Ivy Tech Community College's](#) Breakfast Learning Series on March 21 and displaying free disability-related materials for the public at the [Monroe County Public Library](#) and in the atrium of City Hall during the month of March.

To submit additional items for the calendar or for more information about the Council for Community Accessibility, please contact Special Projects Coordinator Craig Brenner at [brennerc@bloomington.in.gov](mailto:brennerc@bloomington.in.gov) or (812) 349-3471.

## NEW LIBRARY COLLECTION ITEMS



### Library Corner

Banks, C. S., & Feinberg, S. (2014). Including families of children with special needs: A how-to-do-it manual for librarians. Chicago: Neal-Schuman.

Evergreen, S. D. H. (2014). Presenting data effectively: Communicating your findings for maximum impact. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

Knapp, H. (2014). Introductory statistics using SPSS. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage.

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 1905 North Range Road in Bloomington.



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