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CORRECTIONS AND THE ADA AUDIO CONFERENCE: Studies show that a large number of individuals within the prison system are people with disabilities. The literature discusses how the various systems serving incarcerated individuals have historically treated people with disabilities in a manner that did not address their rights to equal access to programs and services, as well as the removal of physical barriers or provision of effective communication.

On Tuesday, September 21 from 2:00 -3:30 p.m. (Eastern), Elizabeth Stanosheck Jeanette, with the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services, will discuss the strides that have been made, and strategies implemented within the corrections community, to address the rights of individuals with disabilities while retaining its focus on imposing punishment.

Audio Conference Site Locations include Bloomington, Columbus, Evansville, Fort Wayne, Gary, Indianapolis, Kokomo, Merrillville, Muncie, Terre Haute, Versailles, Vincennes, and West Lafayette.

Visit www.adaindiana.org/audio for specific information about these site locations. For additional information, contact Matt Norris at (812) 855-6508 or e-mail adainfo@indiana.edu.

TIME FOR TERRE HAUTE TO HELP SHAPE INDIANA'S DISABILITY PLAN: The third of eight Town Meetings sponsored by the Indiana Governor's Council for People with Disabilities to prepare Indiana's State Disability Plan will occur in Terre Haute. People with disabilities and family members from Terre Haute and the surrounding areas are invited to attend!

Please RSVP by going visiting www.cwlab.org.

Date: Wednesday, September 29th
Time: 6:00 – 8:30 pm (light refreshments will be available)
Place: The Holiday Inn – Chestnut Room
3300 S. US Hwy 41
Terre Haute, IN 46805

Be sure to register BEFORE NOON on Tuesday, September 28th so staff can properly prepare for your participation.

Times and places of other Town Meetings will be announced soon. They will be held in these areas: Evansville on October 18th, Gary/Merrillville on October 25th, South Bend on October 26th, Richmond on November 8th, and New Albany/Clarksville on November 15th.

For those unable to attend a Town Meeting, there will be a State Plan Survey available for additional input. Stay tuned for more information about this way of participating in Indiana's State Plan process!

The Council has commissioned the Institute's Center for Planning and Policy Studies to assist them in facilitating these Town Meetings and the Survey. For further information, contact Dr. Vicki Pappas, Center Director, at (812) 855-6508 or e-mail her at cpps@indiana.edu. You can also keep up-to-date about these activities by periodically checking the State Plan website by visiting www.cwlab.org.

ADA-INDIANA ANNOUNCES FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS TO HOST 2010-2011 ADA AUDIO CONFERENCE SERIES: ADA-Indiana, Indiana's State Steering Committee for the Americans with Disabilities Act, announces that funding is available to community organizations in Indiana to host a monthly series of Audio Conferences related to the implementation of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

These audio conferences present easy-to-attend, consistent training, and public awareness about implementation issues related to the Americans with Disabilities Act (the ADA). Topics will vary from employment, federal agency updates on enforcement and outreach, and information on the new ADA regulations. The 90-minute audio conferences are usually held on the third Tuesday of each month at 2:00 pm, EST. The 2010-2011 audio conference series will begin on October 19th, 2010 and continue through September 2011. Funding is available for a one-year period, from October 2010 through September 2011.

Sites will be selected from various areas of the state, except in Bloomington and Indianapolis, where sites are already being supported. Community organizations eligible to apply include United Ways, local government entities, Step Ahead Councils, Chambers of Commerce, local businesses, advocacy organizations, schools, institutions of higher education, Centers for Independent Living, and other community organizations.

Organizations wishing to become a local host site for the 2010-2011 ADA Audio Conference should submit a letter of intent postmarked by October 1st. Information about what to include in the letter of intent is available in the application packet on ADA-Indiana's website at <http://www.adaindiana.org>. For further information about the audio conference series, contact Vicki Pappas, Fiscal Agent for ADA-Indiana, at (812) 855-6508 or -email at adainfo@indiana.edu.

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.

Cumpata, J. E., & Fell, S. (2010). A quest for social skills for students with autism or asperger's: Ready-to-use lessons with games, role-play activities, and more. Arlington, TX: Future Horizons, Inc.

Trautman, M. (2010). My new school: A workbook to help students transition to a new school. Shawnee Mission, KS: Autism Asperger Pub. Co.

- See more at: <http://www.iidc.indiana.edu/index.php?pageld=40&newsId=271&newsType=2#sthash.pq9fKzQH.dpuf>