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### **Online Discussions**

From the Blog "Speaking of Inclusion". Your comments are invited.

# FREE..ONLINE....CONNECT Professional Development Module on Embedded Interventions Now Available

by Pam Winton

Are you an early childhood faculty member or PD provider? Looking for high quality PD resources focused on teaching about research-based practices? Wanting ways to build critical thinking skills in adults who serve young children? Read more | Comment

#### **CONNECT Module Minute: Foundations of Inclusion Video**

by Chih-Ing Lim

The new CONNECT Module on Embedded Interventions includes a video entitled, "Foundations of Inclusion Birth to Five." The video is available from the CONNECT Modules website and is designed to be used in a variety of settings. Read More | Comment

#### **Announcements**

#### Two NPDCI states receive OSEP personnel preparation awards

Heartland Community College in Illinois and Virginia Commonwealth University received OSEP grants. The grants provide support to institutions of higher education, with a particular focus on community colleges, to improve their early childhood or early childhood special education preparation programs.

#### CONNECTED

This new section of eNews provides quick CONNECT Module updates for Early Childhood Faculty

- Announcement CONNECT Module 1 on Embedded Interventions is now available
- Current Discussions Module Usage | Textbooks
- Instructor Tip Did you know as an instructor you can download the CONNECT Module video "Foundations of Inclusion Birth to Five" to use in your professional development activities? Discussion and activity ideas are also available. Read more

#### Resources

 The Big Picture Planning Guide: Building Cross-Sector Professional Development Systems in Early Childhood

The Big Picture Planning Guide has been developed to support a state-level planning process that will lead to a single, integrated professional development system across all early childhood sectors.

 The Landscape: A Statewide Survey for Providers of Professional Development in Early Childhood

The Landscape can be used to gather information that will produce a state-wide description of professional development in early childhood across multiple sectors. The information gathered by The Landscape can be used to describe who the learners are, what professional development content they receive, and how learners acquire core competencies and get support to apply what they learn in practice.

#### **Recent NPDCI and CONNECT Presentations**

The Tenth National Early Childhood Inclusion Institute [ view / download presentations ]

- Applications of the New NAEYC/DEC Position Paper on Inclusion to Policy, PD and Practice.
  Presenters: Camille Catlett and Heidi Hollingsworth
- Get on the Road to Inclusion by Putting the CROWD in the Car.
  - Presenters: Patsy Pierce and Christine Lindauer
- Incorporating Evidence-Based Practice into Professional Development to Support Inclusion.
  Presenters: Pam Winton, Virginia Buysse, Maggie Connolly, Chih-Ing Lim, Christine Lindauer, and Beth Rous
- Listening Session on the Proposed New Position Statement on Response to Intervention (RTI).
  Presenters: Virginia Buysse and Camille Catlett
- · Program Quality and Inclusion: Issues, Innovations and Reactions.
  - Presenters: Virginia Buysse, Kelly Maxwell, Elena Soukakou, Beth Rous and Pam Winton
- Promising Practices to Help Young Children Find Friends.
  - Presenters: Barbara Goldman and Heidi Hollingsworth
- Resources and Tools to Support Development of a Statewide, Cross-Sector Professional Development System that Promotes Inclusion.
  - Presenters: Pam Winton, Camille Catlett, Virginia Buysse, Shelley DeFosset, and Tracey West
- Social Media: Seeding Collaboration to Promote Inclusion
  - Presenters: Jonathan Green, Susan Stewart, Chih-Ing Lim, and Tracey West
- States' Experiences in the Development of Early Childhood Competencies That Support Inclusion. Presenters: Tracey West and representatives from states
- The Right Stuff: Methods and Materials for Preparing Personnel to Support Inclusion.
  Presenters: Camille Catlett and Dayana Garcia

#### **Upcoming NPDCI and CONNECT Presentations**

NAEYC Professional Development Institute in Phoenix, AZ, June 2010:

CONNECT: Web-based Professional Development Resources to Support Inclusion of Children with

Disabilities

Presented to Access membership by Pam Winton and Lisa Stein

- Quality Rating and Improvement Systems and Inclusion
  Presented by Martha Buell, Darlene Hamilton, and Pam Winton
- Quest for Quality
  Presented by Virginia Buysse, Pam Winton, Donna Bryant, Kathryn Tout, and Beth Rous
- What Do We Expect and What Do We Set? Exploring Policies for Professional Development Specialists Presented by Camille Catlett, Sarah LeMoine, and Teri Talan

## "Word of Mouse"

Your word is better than ours. Forward this issue to a colleague and let them know about the work our community is doing.

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