

This institute is being held in conjunction with, and at the same location as, the 2003 DCDT Conference to facilitate the attendance of researchers, state transition coordinators, and other interested stakeholders working in areas related to inclusion of youth with disabilities.

The National Center on Secondary Education and Transition (NCSET) at the University of Minnesota, and the Division of Career Development and Transition (DCDT) of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC)

present a Capacity Building Institute on

Collecting and Utilizing Postschool Outcome Data to Improve Transition Programs and Services at the National, State, and Local Levels

Wednesday, October 22, 2003

Historic Hotel Roanoke, Roanoke, VA

(Preceding the Division of Career Development and Transition Conference)

Purpose

This Capacity Building Institute will provide researchers, state transition coordinators, and other interested stakeholders with information on the process of collecting postschool outcome data and how that information is used to improve programs and services.

Featured Presenters

Nellie Aspel, Ed.D., *Principal*, Shelby City Schools, Shelby, NC

Robert Baer, Ph.D., *Outreach Director*, Center for Innovation in Transition and Employment, Kent State University, Kent, OH

Renee Cameto, Ph.D., *Director*, National Longitudinal Transition Study-2; *Senior Research Social Scientist*, Center for Education and Human Services, SRI International, Menlo Park, CA

Ann Marie Cook, Ed.D., *Transition Liaison*, Career and Transition Services, Fairfax County Public Schools, Falls Church, VA

Louis Danielson, Ph.D., *Director*, Research to Practice Division, Office of Special Education Programs, U.S. Department of Education, Washington, DC

George Hall, M.A., M.S., *Data Manager*, Auburn Transition Institute, Department of Rehabilitation and Special Education, Auburn University, Auburn, AL

Dorsey Hiltenbrand, M.A., *Transition Liaison*, Fairfax County Public Schools, Fairfax, VA

Margo Izzo, Ph.D., *Program Manager*, Nisonger Center, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH

Cinda Johnson, Ph.D., *Director*, Center for Change in Transition Services, University of Washington, Seattle, WA

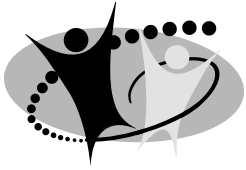
Karen Rabren, Ph.D., *Assistant Professor and Project Director*, Department of Rehabilitation and Special Education, Auburn University, Auburn, AL

Bob Sheperd, Ph.D., *Statewide Coordinator*, Institute for Applied Research, State University of New York at Potsdam, Potsdam, NY

Jane Storms, M.S., *Educational Consultant*, Western Regional Resource Center, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR

To Register

Go to <http://www.ncset.org/institutes/>, or fill out the enclosed registration form.



7:30 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:30 a.m. Welcome and Agenda Review

9:00 a.m. Federal Perspective

Presenter: Dr. Louis Danielson

Dr. Danielson will discuss how the evaluation of transition programs are addressed in IDEA, the status of program evaluation efforts in other federal agencies and how transition aligns with those initiatives, and the implications of high stakes testing on postschool outcomes. Dr. Danielson will also take questions from the audience.

10:00 a.m. Break

10:15 a.m. National Longitudinal Transition Study–2 (NLTS2)

Presenter: Dr. Renee Cameto

In 1987, the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP), U.S. Department of Education, began the first effort in this country to document the experiences and outcomes of youth with disabilities. It launched the National Longitudinal Transition Study (NLTS), which generated nationally representative information about secondary school-age youth who were receiving special education services at the time. To assess the current status of youth with disabilities and how they differ from their predecessors, OSEP commissioned the NLTS2.

Dr. Cameto will present the preliminary findings/outcomes of the NLTS2, address changes in the NLTS and NLTS2 data, and discuss implications of the findings. Dr. Cameto will also take questions from the audience.

11:30 p.m. Regional Perspective

Presenter: Jane Storms

Ms. Storms will share the results of a transition study conducted by the Western Regional Resource Center, including information on the states interviewed, questions asked, methodology used, findings/outcomes, and how the data are used by the Western Regional Resource Center.

12:00 p.m. Lunch

1:00 p.m. State Perspective

Presenters: George Hall, Cinda Johnson, Karen Rabren, and Bob Sheperd

Each presenter will share information on the data collection methods used by their state, discuss their findings, and explain how each state has used the findings to improve programs and services. The presenters will also take questions from the audience.

2:00 p.m. Local Perspective

Presenters: Nellie Aspel, Robert Baer, Ann Marie Cook, and Dorsey Hiltenbrand

Each presenter will share information on the data collection methods used in their school district or regional agency, discuss their findings, and explain how their local district has used the findings to improve programs and services. The presenters will also take questions from the audience.

2:45 p.m. Questions and Answers

3:00 p.m. Break

3:15 p.m. Facilitated Small Group Discussions

3:45 p.m. Small Group Reports

4:15 p.m. Closing Remarks

Presenter: Margo Izzo

Location and Lodging

This institute will take place at the Historic Hotel Roanoke, Roanoke, VA (the same location as the DCDT Conference). Please contact the hotel directly at 540-985-5900 or visit www.hotelroanoke.com.

Cost to Participants

There is no charge for the institute; continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. Participants are, however, responsible for their own travel arrangements. Cost of travel, lodging, and meals are not included as part of this event.

Special Needs

Please indicate any special needs on your registration form, including dietary restrictions. This brochure and workshop materials are available in alternate formats upon request from NCSET.

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- ▶ Register early—space is limited.



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