

Parent Leadership Hub Weekly E-mail for August 6, 2009

Parent/Personnel Development Opportunities

1. Social and Emotional Development and Connecting Science and Practice in Early Childhood Settings

Ann Ramminger- author of Social & Emotional Development and Connecting Science and Practice in Early Childhood Settings will be presenting: Reframing Challenging Behavior: Prevention and Survival. Social emotional competence lays the foundation for all other learning. Join us to explore the art and science of social emotional skill building in young children through: -reframing our thinking -strong adult-child relationships -emotionally supportive environments -intentional teaching -effective responses to challenging behavior. This training is based on the teaching pyramid from the Center on the Social and Emotional Foundations for Early Learning (CSEFEL). Presented by the southern regional network of Wisconsin Early Childhood Collaborating Partners (WECCP)

Janesville: August 8

Madison: September 26

Contact: Ann Ramminger, Early Childhood Professional Development 608-263-4186
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2. Autism: Practical Approaches Based on Neurological Understanding and Compassion

Presenters: Sharon Hammer M.S., Lisa Hoeme M.S., Lisa Ladson B.C.A.B.A., and Sue Trace M.Ed., O.T.R.

August 18: All About Autism (Introduction, recent research, diagnostic information)

August 19: Teaching Strategies that Work!

Cost: \$100.00 per day (Discounts for multiple day attendance. \$190 for 2 day sessions)

9:00-3:00 Lunch on your own

Location: MATC Downtown Education Center 211 N. Carroll Street Madison, WI 53703

For more information, contact Karl: (608) 204-6247 or kpierick@icc-wi.org or go to www.icc-wi.org ~ Summer Training *trainings can be taken individually or as part of an entire series **continuing education credits will be available.

3. Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Coaches Training

Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Coaches Training on August 19-21 in Stevens Point at the Holiday Inn. PBIS applies evidence-based programs, practices and strategies for all students to increase academic performance, improve safety, decrease problem behavior, and establish a positive school culture. For more information on PBIS, visit www.pbisillinois.org. Just beginning to build the PBIS web page at DPI, but you can find that information at <http://dpi.wi.gov/rti/pbis.html>. This training is appropriate for individuals who would like to become internal or external PBIS coaches, as well as individuals who are ready to begin training to become trainers. Registration https://www.regonline.com/63375_728600A. Questions about registration

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for this training should be directed to: Sherri Honaker, Office Operations Associate, (608) 267-7094 or sherri.honaker@dpi.wi.gov

4. **Diagnostic Classification of Mental Health and Developmental Disorders of Infancy and Early Childhood, Revised (DC:0-3R)**

Awareness Training: An introduction to the concepts, principles, practices, and theories of infant mental health. Appropriate for all child and family professionals and policy makers. \$65 for half-day session.

Practitioner Preparation: Two additional days of clinical training designed to review key concepts in infant mental health and highlight the development, philosophy and use of DC:0-3R, with in-depth exploration and small group case discussions. Appropriate for licensed mental health practitioners eligible to diagnose. \$200 includes half-day Awareness Training (required). Discount available for multiple attendees from the same organization.

Continuing education units are available for social workers, marriage and family therapists, and psychologists licensed in Wisconsin.

++ Wausau, Wisconsin ++ http://www.wiimh.org/dc03r_wausau.htm

September 14: Awareness Training

September 15-16: Practitioner Preparation

(Registration deadline: August 28, 2009)

++ Milwaukee, Wisconsin ++ http://www.wiimh.org/dc03r_milwaukee.htm

September 21: Awareness Training

September 22-23: Practitioner Preparation

(Registration deadline: September 4, 2009)

For more information and registration forms, visit http://www.wiimh.org/dc03r_training.htm

5. **Seminar – Diagnosing Major Mental Illnesses and Understanding the Treatments, Behaviors and Medications that Accompany Them**

Join them for a two-part discussion with Dr. David Mays from 9am-Noon you will learn:

- Valuable information on major mental illnesses such as anxiety disorders, schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, depression and substance abuse, with an emphasis on dual diagnosis.

From 1pm-4pm you will learn:

- Information on treatment and medications used
- Understanding side effects
- Techniques in which to deal with the associated behaviors

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- How to focus on the treatments the individuals receive from their doctors and how you can relate those treatments when working with the individual

When: Tuesday, October 6, 2009 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Where: Comfort Inn & Suites, North Star Conference Center, 5025 Cty Hwy V, I90/94 Exit 126, West one block to hotel, De Forest, WI 53532

<http://guest.cvent.com/EVENTS/Info/Summary.aspx?i=d280922b-5d7c-4b9e-ab65-6f8d3add7f48>

6. Special Kids Resource Fair – October 17, 2009

The 8th Annual Special Kids Resource Fair, which will take place on October 17th at the Kenosha County Center in Bristol, WI located on the NE corner of Highways 50 & 45. The SKRF is for families, educators, and service providers in Kenosha, Racine, and Walworth counties.

Some of the great things are planned for this year's SKRF are our two guest speakers! Dave Funk will present "Love & Logic Solutions for Kids with Special Needs" (in English) and Dr. Rosina Gallagher will present in Spanish "Parenting Successful Children". Over 40 different agencies and organizations will be on hand for you to visit and to gather information about the services that they provide. As usual the SKRF will have many great door prizes, games, activities, refreshments, networking opportunities, and FUN! Go to http://www.kusd.edu/media/pdf/transition/news/special_kids.pdf to view the flyer.

7. Did You Know? Now You Know! – Park Falls

A crash course on finding resources, services and support for your child with special health care needs. Have you ever said, "I wish I'd had that information for my child when I needed it?" If you answered, "Yes", this training is for you! The Northern Regional Center for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN) and Family Voices of Wisconsin will host a free "Did You Know? Now You Know!" training on health care and community supports for children and youth with special health care needs and/or disabilities. Meet other families and leave the training feeling more informed, empowered, and ready to advocate for your child!

When: Mondays, November 9 and 16 4:30 pm - 9:00 p.m.

Where: Community Credit Union, 1224 S. 4th Ave, Park Falls, WI

Cost: This training is free and a light meal will be served.

Who Should Attend: Parents, Grandparents, Caregivers, Teachers and Aides, Health Care and Human Services Staff. For Information and Registration: Contact Celena Wanca-Netzow, (715) 261-1964 or Celena.Wanca-Netzow@co.marathon.wi.us

Registration Deadline is Oct. 30th

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Family Involvement Resources

1. National Collaborative on Workforce and Disability for Youth Updates Website

The National Collaborative on Workforce and Disability for Youth (NCWD/Youth) released an updated version of its content rich website, <http://www.ncwd-youth.info/>. Since the original launch of the NCWD/Youth website, it has been the go-to place for information relating to youth with disabilities and the workforce development and transition systems supporting them in their transition to the world of work.

The updated version of the website offers new content areas focusing on what all youth need with an emphasis on youth with disabilities and other vulnerable populations:

- * Workforce Development
- * Professional Development
- * Youth Development and Leadership
- * Helpful resources including expanded definitions, acronyms, and helpful links for a variety of topical areas
- * White papers, manuals, guides, and fact sheets on a variety of policy areas

The updated version of the site provides numerous publications free of charge, background papers, InfoBriefs on a variety of topics, and much more.

2. BadgerLink, Library of Congress Expand On-line Content

Encyclopedias, health content, auto repair information, and historical newspapers are just a few of the new offerings at BadgerLink, Wisconsin's on-line library service. The Library of Congress has also launched a new on-line service at <http://www.loc.gov/index.html>. Most of the new BadgerLink materials are already usable with a few clicks on the website at <http://www.badgerlink.org/>. Links in the lower part of the page organize the resources by category and by user (Student, Teacher, Librarian). BadgerLink is coordinated through the Department of Public Instruction's Division for Libraries, Technology, and Community Learning.

3. Disability Awareness Curriculum

[Easter Seals](#) has created an updated, on-line version of its disability awareness curriculum for elementary students. [Friends Who Care](#) helps students learn what is involved when someone has a disability and how kids with disabilities adapt to live life, go to school, make friends, and play. The program encourages typically developing children to accept their peers with disabilities as people first, and to find ways to include everyone in school and after-school activities. Originally developed in 1990, the curriculum explores a range of disabilities and includes specially-crafted learning activities, hands-on exercises, guided discussions, and guest guidelines. It includes a new

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section on autism, ADHD, and intellectual disabilities. The fun and colorful components can all be downloaded separately for use at home or in the classroom.

4. **Social Networking with NICHCY**

The National Dissemination Center for Children with Disabilities (NICHCY) is now on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) **with information and connections for families of children with disabilities.** Updated and New Publications are on NICHCY's website at <http://www.nichcy.org/Pages/Home.aspx> .

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