

2012 ADD Technical Assistance Institute

## Translating National Priorities into Action



June 19-20, 2012

The Westin Gateway, Arlington, Virginia



**The 2012 Technical Assistance Institute is designed to complement the strategic framework for the Administration on Developmental Disabilities (ADD). Elements of the strategic framework include:**

**Protection of rights and prevention of abuse, neglect and exploitation**

Access to health and social supports, culturally competent services and supports, safety, self-directed services and supports, and full meaningful community participation.

**Empowering individuals with developmental disabilities and their families**

Increasing self-determination and personal control in decisions; family support and education; educating parents/caregivers about the possibilities for the future; futures planning; community-based systems change; and flexible service models and consumer-directed approaches.

**Employment first, competitive, integrated employment**

Increasing opportunities for real work with real pay; reducing benefits barriers and increasing employment support services; interagency collaboration; and DD Network collaboration.

**Accountability & Sustainability**

Continued improvements in grantee planning and reporting efforts and development, evaluation and dissemination of best practices.

**Supporting advocacy efforts of individuals with developmental disabilities**

Continued progression of the Self-Advocacy movement; training and supports; inclusion of people with most significant disabilities, including those from diverse backgrounds (un-served and under-served, ethnicity, low-income individuals); and collaboration between the DD Network and self-advocacy organizations.

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**Translating National Priorities into Action**

**Tuesday, June 19, 2012**

- 8:30 – 9:15            Breakfast
- 9:15 – 9:30            Welcome and Introduction of Keynote Speaker,  
Wanda Willis, Brian Cox
- 9:30 – 10:15           **Keynote Presentation**  
**The ADD Strategic Framework – Planning and Moving Forward**  
**Commissioner Sharon Lewis**
- 10:15 – 10:30        Beverage Break

**Concurrent Sessions:**  
**10:30 – 12:00**

**Framework: Employment First; Competitive, integrated employment**  
**Advancing Employment First Policies**

Session will feature panel discussion on outcomes of Employment First policies in different states; gain strategies for addressing barriers and limitations with systems change; and gain strategies on educating parents; participants will learn about the resource "Skills for Paying the Bills".

**Framework: Empowering people with developmental disabilities and their families**  
**Consumer Directed Services**

Participants will learn about successful implementation models and strategies for Council's role in addressing barriers such as budgets, fraud, criteria for making decisions, educating providers.

**Framework: Accountability and Sustainability**  
**State Plan Evaluation Workshop**

Session attendees to gain knowledge regarding federal expectations including the relation of evaluation to the Annual Performance Program Report; Council member roles and responsibilities regarding evaluation will be addressed.

- 12:00 – 1:30            Luncheon and Speakers

**Performance Measures – Updates from the Council**  
**Performance Measures Workgroup and the ADD "Super**  
**Measures" Committee**

1:30 – 1:45            Break

**Concurrent Sessions**

**1:45 - 3:15**

**Framework: Employment First, Competitive, Integrated Employment  
Readiness for Self-employment**

Session will feature strategies to create systems change that supports self-employment, including overcoming barriers and building readiness.

**Framework: Accountability and Sustainability  
Sustainability**

Session will feature information to develop strategies for planning sustainability from conception of project, and evaluating sustainability throughout the life cycle of a project.

**Framework: Supporting Advocacy Efforts of Individuals with Developmental Disabilities  
Self-Advocacy Goal**

Participants will review models of self-advocacy support; gain strategies on supplementing successful self-advocacy organizations; provide examples of problem solving around the lack of statewide self-advocacy organization and learn about innovative Self Advocacy Organization Partnerships

3:15 – 3:30            Break

3:30 - 4:45            **Afternoon Plenary**

**Framework: Employment First, Competitive, Integrated Employment  
Employment Implications of Olmstead**

Participants will review the Olmstead definition of community and its impact on employment services; learn about the class action lawsuit in Oregon and other activities taken as a result of this definition; strategies will be offered regarding the role of Councils in affecting future policy.

5:00 – 6:15            **Evening Reception**

A relaxed setting provides networking opportunities with fellow Institute participants.

**Wednesday, June 20, 2012**

8:30 – 9:15            Breakfast

9:15 – 9:25            Morning Welcome and Housekeeping

9:25 – 10:30            **Morning Keynote**  
**Affordable Care Act Implementation and Implications of**  
**Community Living**  
**Nancy Thaler, NASDDDS**  
**Framework: Supporting Advocacy Efforts of Individuals with**  
**Developmental Disabilities**

Institute attendees will gain knowledge about variations in implementation of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) across the country and review potential effects of ACA implementation across the lifecycle.

10:30 – 10:45        Break

**Concurrent Sessions**

**10:45 – 12:00**

**Framework: Supporting Advocacy Efforts of Individuals with Developmental Disabilities**  
**Managed Care Integration and Implication on Home and Community Based**  
**Services**

This session expands on the morning keynote presentation with in-depth discussion and strategies emphasizing the Council's policy roles.

**Framework: Accountability and Sustainability**

**5-Year State Plan – Federal Expectations regarding Outcome measures**

Session will explore a variety of self assessment tools and methods to further development of quality, measurable outcomes. Participants will relate outcome selection measurement to Annual Program Performance Reports and review examples of the Council member/staff role regarding outcome measurement.

**Framework: Supporting Advocacy Efforts of Individuals with Developmental Disabilities**  
**Self Determination**

Participants will learn about best practices in enhancing self-determination and how to develop strategies for including best practices in Council efforts.

12:00 – 1:30            Luncheon and Speaker

Self-Advocacy Summit review and overview of recommendations

1:30 – 1:45            Break

**Concurrent Sessions**

**1:45 - 3:15**

**Framework: Empowering Individuals with Developmental Disabilities and their Families**

**Growing and Supporting Leadership**

Participants will learn about strategies to engage younger families, self-advocates and professionals into the field of developmental disabilities.

Speaker: Steve Eidelman, National Leadership Consortium

**Framework: Protection of Rights and Prevention of Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation**

**Collaboration Opportunities in Community Monitoring**

Session will feature opportunities for collaboration across the DD Network related to community monitoring; safety in community-based programs and ways Councils can advocate, build capacity and change systems to benefit individuals with developmental disabilities.

**Framework: Employment First, Competitive, Integrated Employment**

**Projects of National Significance – Partnerships in Employment Systems**

To receive an overview of these systems change grants from participating Councils, including goals and objectives; To understand each participants Council's role in implementation

3:15 - 3:30

Break

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**Closing Plenary**

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