



New York Parent Association for Deaf-Blind

NYPADB e-news

Transition As A Lifelong Process: Strategies for Families of Children with Hearing & Vision Loss

Presented by NYPADB in collaboration with NYDBC and HKNC

Saturday, October 15, 2016, 9:30 am – 4:30 pm

Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults
141 Middle Neck Road, Sands Point, NY 11050

Presentations By:

Kathleen Quinn from Smile LI

Kathy Anello from the Helen Keller National Center

Michael Fagbemi from the National Center on Deaf-Blindness

At This Workshop you will learn how to:

- navigate the OPWDD system for setting up a self-determination plan
- use touch signals to provide environmental information
- design a customized employment plan using person-centered planning for all ages

Meals: Complementary Breakfast (9:30-10:15), Lunch and Snack
FREE FOR NYPADB MEMBERS WHO PRE-REGISTER BY OCTOBER 1
After October 1: NYPADB Members \$10.00 per family, Non-members \$25.

More Information:

Contact Michael Fagbemi (516), mike.fagbemi@hknc.org

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The Role of Interveners in Educational Settings- Online Course

October 3 - November 7, 2016

Sponsored by NFADB and NCDB

Come learn about:

- The role of interveners.
- The principles of intervention.
- How interveners function as members of students' educational teams.

Format: Primarily self-study, but hosts are available to provide assistance. We will also have several optional online video sessions.

Time commitment: 2 hours per week for 5 weeks (you work on your own at

times that are convenient for you).

Hosts: Patti McGowan (NFADB) and Peggy Malloy (NCDB) will provide online support and feedback.

Content: The training will use Module 3 (“The Role of Interveners in Educational Settings”) from the Open Hands Open Access (OHOA) Deaf-Blind Intervener Learning Modules.

What you will need: A computer and a good Internet connection.

Cost: It’s free!

<https://nationaldb.org/events/detail/0/1118>

NYPADB Support Groups

The **CHARGE** Support Group meets via Conference Call on the third Wednesday of each month at 8:30 pm. Suzanne Chen, suzanneachen@gmail.com generally facilitates this group, Mary McDonald is the alternate facilitator.

A number of families who attended the Family Learning Retreats expressed an interest in keeping in touch with other families. Cyndie Pfohler (cpfohler@charter.net) will facilitate this new group, **DB Kids**. The participants will choose the day of the week and time that works best for them.

Family-to-Family Communities

Family-to-Family Communities is a collaborative project sponsored by State Deaf-Blind Projects, the National Center on Deaf-Blindness, and the National Family Association for Deaf-Blind. This opportunity is open to all, regardless of the age of your family member with deaf-blindness. (See Attachment) NYPADB Members may participate in NYPADB CC Support Groups, or national groups, or both!

Timeline for F2FC Phase 2

August-September 2016 Families interested in participating complete registration

<https://gsap.wufoo.com/forms/family-2-family-communities/>

August-September 2016 Potential Facilitators contact Carol Darrah cdarrah@uga.edu

September 2016 Facilitators participate in NFADB Leadership Training

October 2016 – May 2017 F2FC groups meet once per month for 90 minutes

Oct 2016/Jan 2017/May 2017 Participants complete online surveys

February 2017 Representative from each F2FC participates in Focus Group

Happy Anniversary to IDEA Part C: Early Intervention!

#babyIDEAis30

<http://www.familyconnect.org/blog/familyconnect-a-parents-voice/happy-anniversary-to-idea-part-c-early-intervention-babyideais30/12>

NCDB EI&R Initiative: Seeing Results and Planning Part C Intervention Practices

<https://nationaldb.org/blog/post/52>

Links Digest

Parent to Parent of NYS **Links Digest**.

http://parenttoparentnys.org/site/home-detail/links_digest_142_september_2016/

Parent to Parent Webinars

<http://www.parenttoparentnys.org/news/statewide-events/>

Petition2Congress

Have you signed the Petition yet? *Help Students Thrive with H.R. 3535- Stand with Us to Pass the Cogswell-Macy Act!*

<http://www.petition2congress.com/21317/pass-cogswell-macy-act-so-that-americas-children-can-succeed-thri>.

Perkins Short Courses

http://www.perkins.org/school/public/short-courses?utm_campaign=wilderness%20weekend&utm_source=outreach&utm_medium=email

Disability Positions of the 2016 Presidential Candidates

<http://complexchild.org/articles/2016-articles/october/2016-presidential-election/>

