Wednesday, May 9, 2007
Connecticut Grand Hotel, Waterbury, CT

Agenda

8:30 - 9:00    Coffee
9:00 - 9:15   Opening and Introductions
9:15 - 10:30   Alexa Posny, Ph.D.
               Director, Office of Special Education, U.S. Department of Education
10:30 - 10:45  Break
10:45 - 12:00 Jeanne Kincaid, Esq.
12:00 - 1:00   Lunch
1:00 - 3:00    Breakout Sessions

Breakout Sessions

1. Implications for LD Assessment, Diagnosis and Programming: Issues of Evidence-Based Assessment, Discrepancy and RTI
   • Ann Terezakis, M.A., Educational Consultant, Klebanoff & Alfano, PC
   • Glenn McGrath, Director of Pupil Personnel, West Hartford Public Schools
   • Helen Donaher, Director of Special Services, Simsbury Public Schools
   • Saylor Heidmann, M.S., Instructional Coordinator, Literacy Special Program, Albertus Magnus College

2. Transition: When and How to do Transition Assessment and Planning to Prepare the Student for Further Education, Employment, and Independent Living
   • Patricia Anderson, Ph.D., Transition Coordinator, Connecticut State Department of Education
   • Jane H. Currie, Ph.D., Director of Special Services, Farmington Public Schools
   • Helen Bosch, M.S., Executive Director, VISTA Vocational and Life Skills Center
   • Michael Storz, Director of Transition Program, VISTA Vocational and Life Skills Center

3. Early Intervention and Prevention: The Role of School Personnel in the Development, Use and Assessment of Early Intervention Procedures
   • Nancy Cappello, Ph.D., Interim Bureau Chief of Special Education, Connecticut State Department of Education
   • Stan Shaw, Ed.D., Professor of Special Education, University of Connecticut
   • Julie Mccombes-Tolis, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Special Education and Reading, Southern Connecticut State University

4. Discipline: Suspensions, Expulsions and Alternative Placements, Including Responses to Bullying and Harassment
   • Attorney Alyce Alfano, Parent Attorney, Klebanoff & Alfano, PC
   • Attorney Jennifer Laviano, Parent Attorney, Law Offices of Jennifer Laviano, LLC
   • Attorney Michelle Laubin, Board Attorney, Berchem, Moses, & Devlin, PC
   • Attorney Frederick Dorsey, Board Attorney, Siegel, O’Connor, & Schiff

5. Autism: The Three P’s - Program, Placement and Personnel
   • Kathleen Dyer, Ph.D., C.C.C.-SLP, BCBA, Clinical Director, CREC, River Street Autism Program/Coltsville
   • Karen J. Anthony, M.A., M.S. C.C.C., Speech and Language Pathologist
   • Suzanne Letso, CEO, Connecticut Center for Child Development
   • Rosalynn A. Santacroce, Director of Pupil Personnel Services, Vernon Public Schools

   • Attorney Susan C. Freedman, Board Attorney, Shipman & Goodwin, LLP
   • Michael P. McKeon, Esq., Board Attorney, Sullivan, Schoen, Campane, & Connon, LLC
   • Attorney Howard Klebanoff, Parent Attorney, Klebanoff & Alfano, PC
   • Thomas G. Badway, Education Consultant, Coordinator of Due Process, Connecticut State Department of Education
   • Attorney Patricia M. Strong, Hearing Officer, Law Office of Patricia M. Strong
You're Invited...

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