

Statewide Physical/Health Disabilities Community of Practice Meeting

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Date: Monday, February 6th, 2017

Online registration deadline: Monday,
1/30/2017

Host Site Location:

Metro ECSU Training Room
2 Pine Tree Drive, Arden Hills, MN 55112

Remote Sites: Check registration link for details.

Start Time:

9:00am – 3:30 pm

8:15 a.m. Check-in and continental breakfast

Audience: MN P/HD Teachers & guests

Register online prior to event:

Click on <http://metroecsuy.myquickreg.com>

Both host site (ECSU) and remote participants must register. Some sites charge a fee to cover cost of food and materials. Check registration webpage for more information.

If you don't receive an immediate registration confirmation upon submitting registration, contact Shuyin Maciel (below) to confirm the registration.

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Agenda

8:15-9:00am: Check-in, Morning refreshments

9:00-9:45am: Introductions, Statewide Updates

9:45-10:30am: *Updated School Emergency Evacuation Procedures for Students with Disabilities*

Presenter: John Swanson, Deputy State Fire Marshal- School Inspector/Plans Examiner; State Fire Marshal Division

10:30-10:45am: Break

10:45am-12:15pm:

Spotlight on Regional Resources:
Streamlining Assessments with Google Forms

Presenter: Amanda Peters, P/HD Teacher
ISD 917/Region 11

12:15-1:00pm: Lunch

1:00-2:15pm: *Linking EBP to our P/HD Evaluation Tools/Checklists: Review of Purpose/Resources & Small Group Work* (Continued from fall meeting)

2:15-2:30pm: Break

2:30-3:15pm: *Helping Students Find Their Inner Voice & Creating a Vision for the Future*

Special Keynote Presenter: Kevin Kling

Award-Winning Author, NPR Commentator, Monologist, Playwright

3:25-3:30pm: Closing, Educational door prizes

(More information on our speakers and topics can be found on page 2.)

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More on presenters & topics...

Spotlight on Regional Resources: *Streamlining Assessments with Google Forms*

Presenter: Amanda Peters, P/HD Teacher for ISD 917/Region 11

Presentation Description: In this session we will explore how to save time using Google Forms to collect data. We'll go beyond talking about how to use Google Forms to working in small groups to convert the Minnesota Compensatory Skills Checklist for Students with Physical Impairments into a Google Form that you can use for your next assessment. Parents and teachers appreciate the online format and it saves you from traveling the world to drop off and pick up paperwork. Bring your own device to this session if you are able.

About the Presenter: Amanda Peters has been in the field of special education for 20 years. Twelve of those years have been working as a P/HD teacher, with the other eight years focused solely on assistive technology. Mrs. Peters has presented at Charting the C's, Closing the Gap, ATIA, TIES, and ASCD. She's currently a lead teacher, Physical Health Disabilities Teacher and Assistive Technology Team Leader for ISD 917.

Afternoon Keynote: *Helping Students Find Their Inner Voice & Creating a Vision for the Future*

Presenter: Kevin Kling, Author, NPR Commentator, Monologist, Playwright

Presentation Description: Kevin Kling knows well the challenges that children, youth & adults with disabilities face daily. Kevin was born with a congenital birth defect which foreshortened his left arm and altered his hand with no wrist or thumb. As an adult, he was involved in a near-fatal motorcycle accident that paralyzed his right arm and further impaired his left arm. Despite (and perhaps because of) these challenges, Kevin embodies an enduring and remarkable sense of humor, insight, and compassion that infuses his artistry and performances as a playwright and storyteller. His message for others- particularly for those who live with the challenges of a disability every day of their lives- is both authentic and powerful, with a very large dollop of humor.



About the Presenter: Monologist and playwright Kevin Kling grew up in Osseo, Minnesota and graduated from Gustavus Adolphus College. He has performed his plays in Sweden, Sydney and Perth, Australia, Edinburgh, Scotland and in the Czech Republic. His autobiographic piece *Home and Away* premiered at the Seattle Rep and moved to Second Stage Theater, off Broadway, where it received a Drama Desk Award nomination.

His plays have been produced at regional theaters throughout the country. He has been awarded fellowships from multiple state and national foundations, including the National Endowment for the Arts, as well as numerous awards. Kevin was officially appointed the Minneapolis Story Laureate by Mayor RT Rybak in 2014. The 2015 PBS feature-length documentary, "Kevin Kling: Lost & Found" won a 2016 Upper Midwest Regional Emmy Award. Kevin is a commentator for National Public Radio's "All Things Considered" and has authored five books published by Borealis Books, *The Dog Says How*, *Holiday Inn*, *Big Little Brother*, *Big Little Mother* and *On Stage with Kevin Kling*. His book, *Come and Get It*, was chosen as the 2012 Minnesota Center for Books Arts "Winter Book". Kevin has produced six storytelling CDs. His website is: www.kevinkling.com