



Minnesota Teachers of Students Who Are DeafBlind

Community of Practice

Monday, February 22, 2021

9:00 am - 12:00 pm



zoom

Virtual via Zoom (link will be provided prior to the event)

This workshop has no cost to participants.

Agenda:

- 8:30-9:00 a.m.** Optional Coffee/Tea Networking
- 9:00-9:15 a.m.** Welcome (Ann Mayes); 2020 Child Count Coming Soon (Deanna Rothbauer)
- 9:15-10:05 a.m.** **Introduction to Customized Employment** – Josh Dean and Margie Webb (DEED)
- 10:05-10:15 a.m.** Break
- 10:15-11:05 a.m.** **Calendar Systems** – Doreen Bohm (DB CoP Rep.)
- 11:05-11:15 a.m.** Break
- 11:15-11:45 a.m.** NEW Part C Recommended Collaborative Practices and Updates – Ann Mayes
2019 Summary of national child count data
Updates to work groups and building capacity
- 11:45-12:00 a.m.** Website Updates, Wrap Up and Evaluations for CEUs

Registration Information

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Presenters

Josh Dean has been a passionate advocate for community integrated employment for people with disabilities for over a decade. As a Customized Employment (CE) Specialist for VRS Minnesota, Josh provides training and consulting to both internal staff and Community Rehabilitation Partners throughout the State. He is also an active CE practitioner working directly with job seekers and employers alike. In 2020, Josh and his colleagues were part of a multi-agency collaboration that started to embed CE strategies with over 40 school districts. Josh is also an active member of the National Customized Employment Community of Practice, is on the Minnesota CE Competency Review Team and has served as a Minnesota APSE Board Member since 2013.

Margie Webb is a Customized Employment Specialist for the state of Minnesota, Vocational Rehabilitation Services (VRS). She has over 31 years' experience providing employment services to people with significant impacts of disability in both the private sector and VRS. Margie also developed work experience options for students who attended MSAB in partnership with VRS and State Services for the Blind (SSB). She has obtained certification in Discovery and Systematic Instruction, with a focus on Customized Employment. Margie is passionate about community integrated employment for all, with a strong emphasis on Person Centered Practice.

Doreen Bohm is a teacher of blind/visually impaired and has been a representative for Regions 5 & 7 on the statewide DeafBlind Community of Practice for many years. She has also completed all 26 modules in the Open Hands, Open Access series and participated in the weekend intervener training series. Doreen's presentation about calendars in February 2020 sparked an interest by many representatives to learn more and to be able to share in power point format.



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