

## e-Connections Newsletter

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## **Free Upcoming Webinars**

## Thursday, August 21, 2014

Below are **two** different opportunities to build your knowledge about accessible instructional materials, brought to you courtesy of the <u>National Center on</u> Accessible Instructional Materials (AIM Center).



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#### **Get Social with the UPC:**













## **WEBINAR: Introduction to AIM for Educators and Families**

Thursday, August 21, 2014 at 12:00 p.m.—1:00 p.m. MST
This webinar is for educators and families who are new to accessible instructional materials (AIM). This webinar provides current basic information about the provision of accessible instructional materials. Topics in this introductory webinar include legal issues, the changing language of AIM, a decision-making process, and how to locate and use supporting resources, including the AIM Quick Starts for Families and Educators web resource.

Click here to register!

## **WEBINAR:** Navigating your Way to AIM in the IEP: Who Needs AIM and Where does AIM Fit?

Thursday, August 21, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.—2:00 p.m. MST
This webinar—a repeat of the session presented on March 20—
introduces families and educators to a 4-step model for decisionmaking around AIM for an individual student and connects the
model to the development of the IEP. Attention will be focused on
seven points in the IEP development process at which AIM might
reasonably be considered. Participants will be provided with AIM
consideration questions aligned to each point and a model of how
AIM could be documented at each point to support effective use of
accessible materials by students who need them for participation
and progress on IEP goals and in general education curriculum.
Click here to register!

# **Upcoming Webinar- CMV 101: Congenital Cytomegalovirus from Prevention to Treatment Get informed.**

As many of you know, The National Center for Hearing Assessment and Management (NCHAM) is in the process of planning the Congenital Cytomegalovirus (CMV) Public Health and Policy Conference (cmv.usu.edu). In an effort to raise awareness of CMV and highlight the upcoming conference, NCHAM will be hosting the webinar CMV 101: Congenital Cytomegalovirus from Prevention to Treatment, presented by Dr. Michael Cannon from the National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities at the CDC.



August 21, 2014 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. MST Adobe Connect- to register click here

If you have questions about this webinar or other CMV-related questions, please contact Alyson Ward at <a href="mailto:alyson.ward@usu.edu">alyson.ward@usu.edu</a>.

## Are you a youth living with a mental illness? FREE Workshop

Would you like to learn more about mental illness in a supportive environment from young adults who have lived experience?



#### ATTEND A FREE PROGRESSION CLASS!

**Granite Education Center** 2500 South State Street

September 4<sup>th</sup>- October 9<sup>th</sup>

Thursdays from 6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

Call 801-323-9900 to register.

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## **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Utah Valley University Conference on ADHD**

Don't forget to register early!



## **Keynote Speaker: Sari Solden**

"Uncovering and Unleashing Your Power: Valuing Your Differences Is The Key To Constructing A Successful Life With ADHD"

University College, the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, and the School of Education are pleased to present the 3rd Annual ADHD Conference. This conference is designed for students, parents, teachers, administrators, and professionals who are interested in learning about ADHD, treatments, education and family life, available services, and practical resources.

## September 26, 2014

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Early Registration Closes September 11, 2014

Click here to pre- register!

## **First Lady's Uplift Families Parenting Conference**

**Uplift Families** 



The First Lady's initiative is called Uplift Families. The goal of this initiative is to promote good parenting skills, strengthen families, and offer resources to parents throughout the state.

Click here to register!

## The Utah Independent Living Center offers Free Classes, Activities, and Supports

A variety of ongoing classes benefiting youth and adults are held at the Utah Independent Living Center (UILC) in Salt Lake City. These include:



Mondays 10:30 -12:30

Tuesdays 10:30-12:00

Wednesdays 10:30-12:00

Wednesday 1:30-3:00

Wednesdays 3:00 to 4:30

Wednesdays 3:00-4:30

Thursdays

Fridays 10:30-12:00

**Express Yourself Through Writing** 

Adjusting to Disability Support Group

Advocacy and Disability Culture

Acting

Young Adult Group

**Adult Peer Group** 

Home arts, knitting, outings, and more.

Friday Discussion Group

There are also many new or short term classes such as Cooking, Reading, Budgeting, Time Management and more. The UILC also serves Summit and Tooele Counties. Check <a href="http://www.uilc.org">http://www.uilc.org</a> for more information on the many classes, programs, activities, and supports that are offered.

Other Independent Living Centers across Utah (Logan, Ogden, Provo, Price, St. George) offer similar benefits to the regions they serve. Visit <a href="http://www.uilc.org/centers.html">http://www.uilc.org/centers.html</a> for information on locations and how to access their individual websites or contact them.

## Your chance to comment on Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act!

Last month President Obama signed a law that seeks to maximize opportunities for all youth and adults to succeed in postsecondary education and in high-skill, high-wage and high-demand jobs. It's called the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA).

You now have the opportunity to help the Department answer some questions on our minds as we work to implement this important law that holds great promise for Americans with and without disabilities.

Please check out the <u>joint BLOG here</u> from OSERS and OCTAE inviting comments from you until Friday, August 29, 2014.

## **Court Offers Divorce Education for Children**



When adults go through a divorce, there are programs available to assist them in making the transition, including a class offered through the Utah State Courts. But, what about the children of divorcing parents? Nearly 12,000 Utah children are impacted by divorce each year, including more than 5,000 children in Salt Lake County. A gap exists between programs that are available for adults and classes available for children of divorcing parents. Because of this gap children are often left confused and full of

mixed emotions when going through the divorce process.

To fill this need, the Utah State Courts has developed a program called Divorce Education for Children. This class is available for children ages 9 to 12 and offered **free of charge**. The program's curriculum provides children with skills they can use to better communicate their feelings to parents and is designed to minimize the adverse effects divorce has on children. Mental health professionals teach the class with assistance from state court judges and commissioners. Classes are offered in Logan, Ogden, Provo and Salt Lake City. To register your child or children for an upcoming Divorce Education for Children class in your area go to <a href="http://www.utcourts.gov/specproj/dived/children.html">http://www.utcourts.gov/specproj/dived/children.html</a>. For more information, please call (801)578-3897 or email Dakota Matherly at <a href="mailto:dakotam@utcourts.gov">dakotam@utcourts.gov</a>.

## **Understanding Dyscalculia**

What is dyscalculia?

If you've been told your child may have dyscalculia (or a math difficulty), or if you suspect your child has it, you may wonder how to help him. Dyscalculia is a learning disability that causes serious math difficulties. It isn't as well-known as dyslexia. However, some researchers now think it may be almost as common. Click here to read more!

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