# **AAIDD Interest Network Annual Plan & Yearly Report**

Planning and reporting on Interest Network activities designed to fulfil their purpose. (See the *Interest Networks Leadership Manual* for the purpose of the Interest Networks.

#### Interest Network:

## **Communication Disorders**

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### 2022-2023 Report

For the year that **just ended** (July 1-June 30), indicate objectives met, activities completed, and funds used. In addition, please note if/how any activities enhanced diversity, equity, inclusion, or justice.

The primary objective of this year was to continue to organize the Communication Disorders Special Interest Network and increase connection across our members.

- The Chair continued to network with leaders of the other Special Interest Networks to serve as examples of how the current networks operate.
- Use of multiple methods to disseminate information regarding topics of interest.
- Sponsored one SECP Scholarships.
- Started a Comm Disorders Facebook Group.
- Hosted a network business meeting at the annual conference to actively discussion the network's objectives, activities, and interests of members for the coming year. This year's group had the most attendees thus far and generated interest from members is continuing to grow and improve the Interest Network.

## 2023-2024 Plan: Goals, Objectives, Activities, and Strategies

For the **coming year** (July 1-June 30), describe the planned objectives, activities, and proposed expenditure of funds. In addition, please note if/how any activities will address diversity, equity, inclusion, or justice.

**Objectives and Activities:** 

- Reinvigorate network member involvement, includes both increase participation among the current members and recruit new members.
- Host a network event at the next AAIDD meeting.
- Continue Social Media site development. This will allow the Communication Disorder Network members to share their related activities, ideas, and opportunities. We plan to highlight the different members of the Interest Network along with their projects/events.
- Work to provide networking among members to facilitate group presentations at the next conference.
- Continue to work to engage members, recruit new members, and increase our networking opportunities.