

AAIDD Interest Network Annual Plan & Yearly Report: 2021

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.)

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Annual Report <i>For the year that just ended (July 1-June 30), indicate objectives met, activities completed, and funds used.</i> Student and early career professional abstracts were reviewed for a scholarship. Two scholarships were awarded by the interest network, and one additional scholarship was awarded by a different interest network after a recommendation by the Gerontology Interest Network. The Gerontology Interest Network organized and co-sponsored two webinars with the Health and Wellness Interest Network. The first webinar was titled: <i>Covid-19, Dementia and People With Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities</i> with speaker Philip McCallion (12/10/2020). The second webinar was titled <i>Dementia and IDD: The Massachusetts Experience</i> with speakers Julie Moran, Kathryn Service and Christine Clifford (2/11/2021). Due to the impact of the pandemic on schedules the search for a new board was postponed to the following year.
Annual Plan: Goals, Objectives, Activities, and Strategies <i>For the coming year (July 1-June 30), describe the planned objectives, activities, and proposed expenditure of funds.</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Elections will be held for the board.2. Board meetings will be scheduled once the new board is installed.3. The network's FB's page will continue to be updated.4. Student and early career professional abstracts will be reviewed by the board for a scholarship.5. The board will again aim to organize a panel for the annual meeting with aging related presentations.