

AAIDD Interest Network Annual Plan & Yearly Report: 2020

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:

Education Interest Network

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Annual Report

For the year that **just ended** (July 1-June 30), indicate objectives met, activities completed, and funds used.

Our annual plan from last year was:

Goal: The Education Interest Network will be a dynamic and useful network for AAIDD members and potential AAIDD members.

Objective: Disseminate information and research on the education of children and youth with IDD

Activities and Progress:

- Post policy, practice, and research information on Facebook page and group (see next activity)
 - We made 23 posts on our Facebook page.
 - We have 47 individuals who “like” our Facebook page.
- Create a linked Facebook group to go with the Facebook page
 - We added a Facebook group, but have not utilized it.
- Submit a manuscript on the joint position statement of the AAIDD and The Arc on the education children with IDD
 - We submitted a manuscript, and it was accepted for publication.
 - Rodriguez, A. M., Taub, D., Scott, L., Copeland, S. R., Williams-Diehm, K. W., Landmark, L. J., Sinclair, T. E., Black, R. S., Palmer, S. B., & Thoma, C. A. (2020). Reflecting on the education position statement of AAIDD and The Arc. *Inclusion, 8*(1), 6-26. doi: 10.1352/2326-6988-8.1.6
- Provide one webinar for AAIDD (potentially on the joint position paper or in collaboration with another Interest Network)
 - We did not provide a webinar.
- Submit a presentation to AAIDD and other outlets of the joint position manuscript
 - Multiple presentations to AAIDD were submitted on portions of the joint position paper, and some were accepted.

Objective: Increase awareness of and involvement in the Education Interest Network

Activities and Progress:

- Provide a scholarship to a graduate student whose work aligns with the Education Interest Network
 - A scholarship was allocated, but not used due to convention cancellation.
- Hold quarterly meetings (invite all AAIDD Education Interest Network members to participate)

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- We held Zoom meetings and invited all EIN members. Meetings were held Sept. 2019 and Feb. 2020, April, 2020
- Create a list of presentations on education for the annual meeting/conference and send this list to Education Interest Members for easy reference at annual meeting/conference
 - The annual meeting/conference was not held due to the pandemic, so we were unable to complete this activity.
- Submit a proposal for an informational poster about the Education Interest Network and its priorities at the annual AAIDD meeting/conference
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Annual Plan: Goals, Objectives, Activities, and Strategies

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