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AAIDD
Resources,
Educational
Opportunities,
and Activities

March 2021

Announcements

[Save the Date: Registration for the 145th AAIDD Virtual Meeting Opens March 15, 2021](#)

The 145th annual meeting, Addressing Workforce Challenges: Promising Trends in Policy, Practice, and Research will be held in a completely virtual format. Registration will open March 15, 2021.

[Registration Now Open for the Disability Policy Seminar Virtual Event](#)

April 21-22, 2021

The Disability Policy Seminar offers the opportunity for passionate advocates, self-advocates, experts, and professionals in the field to come together and learn about key issues that affect them most.

Upcoming Webinars and Virtual Learning

[Join AAIDD to register for free!](#)

COVID-19 – Its Impact on Direct Support Professionals

This webinar is jointly hosted by AAIDD and the AAIDD Direct Support Professional Interest Network

March 16, 2021 4pm ET

Presenter: Amy Hewitt, PhD, FAAIDD, University of Minnesota

Direct Support Professionals (DSPs) provide long term services and supports to people with intellectual disabilities in a wide variety of settings – individual/family homes, community programs, worksites, group homes, and larger facilities. These workers have many critically important roles. Throughout the pandemic they have risked their lives to deliver needed supports to people and often were put in the situation of potentially infecting their own families due to their work. Despite their importance, in most states this group of employees is not clearly identified as essential workers. This webinar will share new research findings from the University of Minnesota's Research and Training Center on Community Living regarding a 6 month follow up study on the effects of COVID-19 on this important workforce and strategies that are helpful to best supporting them. Implications of the findings of this longitudinal study will be shared and discussed by participants.

[Register here.](#)

AAIDD Virtual Professional Development Opportunities-AAIDD Member Exclusives

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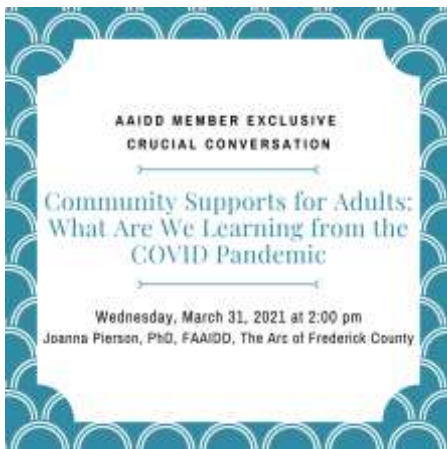
Upcoming Mentorship in a Minute **Reinventing Your Personal Brand**

March 24, 2021 at 3pm ET

Host: Michael Bloom, MA, MS, FAAIDD, Chief Strategy & Innovation Officer, Incompass Human Services

Discuss considerations when changing the scope of your work.

[Register here.](#)



Upcoming Crucial Conversations **Community Supports for Adults: What Are We Learning from the COVID Pandemic?**

March 31, 2021 at 2pm ET

Host: Joanna Pierson, PhD, FAAIDD, The Arc of Frederick County

Join us for a discussion regarding what COVID-19 is teaching us about our supports and services-- both positive and negative.

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Job Opportunities

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