

**EC Division Weekly Update**  
**May 26, 2021**

<b>Updates to the EC Division Padlet</b>
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<b><u>Items of Interest</u></b>
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**Visual Impairment Webinar**

On Friday, June 4, 2021, at 4:00 pm the Consultant for Visual Impairment, Crystal Patrick, will host a technical assistance webinar to present information on the recent updates in ECATS that relate specifically to Visual Impairment (i.e. Expanded Core Curriculum). This session is designed for Teachers of the Visually Impaired and O&M Specialists. [Registration](#) will close on Wednesday, June 2, 2021, at 12 noon.

**Reading Booster Course for Teachers of the Deaf & Hard of Hearing:**

The SSAT Section is currently working on a Reading Booster Course for Teachers of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. This course will be designed as a follow-up to the Reading Research to Classroom Practice (RRtCP) 5-day course, and will focus on strategies, accommodations, and modifications unique to implementing an effective reading instruction program for students with hearing loss. The Leads for deaf and hard of hearing in each district will be emailed a short questionnaire to gauge the interest and need for this upcoming course, planned for the 2021-2022 school year. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Woytowich, Consultant for Deaf and Hard of Hearing, [nancy.woytowich@dpi.nc.gov](mailto:nancy.woytowich@dpi.nc.gov).

**Lead Audiology Meeting Reminder**

The related services meeting for your PSU's lead audiologist or designee will take place on June 1, 2021, from 1:00-4:00 pm. Registration has been extended until noon on Friday, May 28, 2021. Please share with your lead audiologist or designee as this will not be shared on the listserv. Registration may be found by clicking on this link: <https://bit.ly/EdAudSpring2021>.

**New Directors' Leadership Institute**

The New Directors' Leadership Institute is now accepting applications for the 2021-2023 cohort (see attached memo). Exceptional Children Program Directors with less than two years of service in this position are invited to apply for the NDLI. Applicants who are currently serving as EC Directors will be accepted into the training first. Additional space availability will be open to district level leadership positions to support capacity building for future EC Directors.

Please complete the application and submit to the email address indicated by **June 15, 2021**. If you have questions, please contact the Regional Coordinator for your region. **(ATTACHED)**

**Assistive Technology Expo**

The NCDPI Assistive Technology Team is pleased to offer the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Assistive Technology (AT) Expo on August 3, 2021. The Expo will offer 20 professional learning sessions, each an hour in length, ten (10) networking sessions, and a keynote speaker. Participants can attend as many sessions as their schedule allows. The AT Expo will begin at 9:00 and conclude at 4:30. Click the link below to register for the event.

[https://ncdpi.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_8Gkx2pNYmXJ6g8m](https://ncdpi.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8Gkx2pNYmXJ6g8m)

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**2020-2021 End of Year Data Submission for Indicator 12**

Indicator 12 captures data on students who received Part C services and were referred to Part B during the July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 fiscal year. The Indicator 12 spreadsheet must be submitted prior to October 29, 2021, links included in the attached memo. **(ATTACHED)**

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**The Pyramid Model Preschool Classroom Kit**

The Pyramid Model Consortium has partnered with The Discovery Source to publish and distribute the recommended resources so teachers can begin to teach Social-Emotional Development skills immediately, more effectively, and with high fidelity implementation of the Pyramid Model Training. Please see the memo and order form for more information. **(ATTACHED)**

<b>COVID-19 RELATED INFORMATION</b>
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