



**Weekly Update**  
**May 31, 2023**

<b>General Information</b>
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No new information this week

<b>Administrative/Supervisory</b>
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**New Directors' Leadership Institute (NDLI) 2023-25 Cohort**

Please see the memo and application for the next cohort of NDLI. **(ATTACHED)**

**Consultant for Physical Therapy and Medicaid**

Due to an unexpected emergency with UNC-CH, Laurie Ray will assist with their UNC PT program. Laurie will remain the primary contact for NCDPI Consultant for Physical Therapy, however another person may support some of the workload. Laurie Ray will remain the point of contact but may have some limitations due to new responsibilities.

**IDEA Grant**

**Today is the Day!!!** The deadline for completion of the IDEA Grant is May 31, 2023. Please contact your EC Regional Coordinator or IDEA Fiscal Monitor with any questions.

**Planned Update to Clear the IEP Workspace in ECATS**

Beginning July 1, 2023, the IEP Process workspace will clear when the user selects 'Initial' or 'Annual Review' for Meeting Purpose. Clearing the IEP workspace ensures that the user develops the new IEP with current and relevant information, rather than manually deleting information that is no longer appropriate. This is consistent with the requirement to review and revise the IEP at least once annually with present levels of academic achievement and functional performance. After selecting the Meeting Purpose, Initial or Annual Review, and clicking Save and Continue, the Meeting Purpose section of the IEP will display an alert that the meeting purpose selected will clear the IEP Workspace.

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<b>Instructional/Related Services/Disability Specific</b>
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**Summer Institutes 2023**

Reminder that registration for the 2023 Office of Exceptional Children Summer Institutes is now open! This year the office will host one week of in-person institutes as well as an additional week for virtual institutes. Please reference the [Summer Institutes Guide](#) for information around the institutes offered, registration, payment, and much more. Registration ends on Thursday, June 29, 2023.

**Post-Master's Certificate in Instructional Coaching**

The University of NC at Greensboro is now offering a Post-Master's Certificate in Instructional Coaching for personnel who are employed in or aspire to positions such as: instructional coach, curriculum facilitator, school



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improvement coach, assistant principal or principal, subject area coach in public, charter, and private schools. Please see the attached flyer for more information and the deadline for applying. **(ATTACHED)**

**Summer Camp Opportunities for Students who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing**

Please visit our DHH Canvas Hub, [Information for Parents & Caregivers Page](#), for a list of upcoming camps for students who are deaf or hard of hearing. These programs include virtual and in person opportunities that are scheduled throughout North Carolina this summer.

**Free Assistive Technology Webinars**

Please see the list of [free webinars for Assistive Technology \(AT\)](#) to find a variety of different AT and accessibility topics for the month of June 2023.

<b>Early Childhood</b>
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No new information this week

<b>ICYMI</b>
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**NEW! Guidance Document: [Intellectual Disabilities: Evaluation, Identification and Instructional Programming – Policy Requirements and Best Practice Considerations](#)** This newly developed guidance offers IEP evaluation teams expanded guidance to support alignment with NC Policy requirements, while also ensuring best practices in their implementation of effective evaluation, identification and instructional programming practices for students having, or suspected of having, intellectual disabilities. A companion recording is embedded into the document to provide teams with further explanation of the content included in the document.

**NEW! Self-Paced Course: Overview of School-Based Practice for Related Service Providers**

This course offers an overview of school practice from an interprofessional perspective. Course content covers a wide variety of topics, including but not limited to school-based evaluation, intervention, policy, ethics, scheduling/workload, and documentation. It can be an effective resource to support the onboarding process of newly hired and early career Occupational Therapists, Physical Therapists, Psychologists, and Speech/Language Pathologists. Please refer to the [course flyer](#) for additional details and to access the course.

**NCATP/NCDPI Assistive Technology Expo 2023**

NCATP and NCDPI are pleased to announce the return of the in person AT expo for the 2023-2024 school year. This expo will be held at the McKimmon Conference and Training Center at NC State in Raleigh, NC on October 5, 2023. This day-long event has a theme of *A Day in the life with AT* and will feature presentations throughout the day in addition to a vendor hall. Registration is required to attend: [2023 AT Expo Registration](#). Additional information can be found at [2023 AT Expo Info](#) and on the 2023 AT Expo Flyer **(ATTACHED)**.



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### NCATP/NCDPI Assistive Technology Expo 2023 Call for Proposals

NCATP and NCDPI are seeking applications for presenters for the 2023 AT expo. The theme for the day is: *A Day in the Life with AT*. This will be the first year that the Expo will return to an in-person event with live streaming being offered for the presentations held throughout the day. If you have a topic that you feel would be relevant to the field, please consider completing an application for consideration to fill one of the sessions during the day. The Expo is being held at the McKimmon Conference and Training Center at NC State in Raleigh, NC on October 5, 2023, and applications are due by June 1, 2023. If interested, please use the Call for Proposals AT Expo 2023 application document (**ATTACHED**)

<b>Calendar Items/What's Due?</b>
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May 31, 2023 - IDEA Grant must be in Draft Completed status

June 1, 2023 - AT Expo Call for Proposals due

June 29, 2023 - Summer Institute Registration closes

July 1, 2023 – PRC 118 Autism Request for Funding due.

PRC029 Behavior Support Grant Final Submission

July 14, 2023 - HB 317 Data Collection

July 15, 2023 - Educational Interpreter/Transliterator [Training Hours Report Due](#)