



April 18, 2017

Dear Colleague:

The Administration on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (AIDD), Administration on Disabilities (AOD), Administration for Community Living (ACL), at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services invites you to the *2017 State Councils on Developmental Disabilities Technical Assistance Institute* scheduled for July 11-12, 2017 in Salt Lake City, Utah.

This year's Institute will focus on three important topics critical to the work you do. Key agenda items include: Reporting and Outcomes, Diversity, Inclusion, Cultural and Linguistic Competence, and Self-advocacy. Each topic will feature general and concurrent sessions for in-depth knowledge development, skill building, and strategy development among Councils.

We believe that this meeting will provide a critical foundation not only for helping Councils meet the reporting requirements of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000, but will lead to better overall outcomes for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families.

The Technical Assistance Institute is planned and implemented by the Information and Technical Assistance Center for Councils on Developmental Disabilities (ITACC) which receives contract funding from AIDD. Please contact Sheryl Matney (smatney@nacdd.org) or Angela Castillo-Epps (acastillo-epps@nacdd.org) for additional information about logistical support, including any accommodation needs.

We look forward to your participation at the Institute.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bob Williams".

Bob Williams
Acting Commissioner
Administration on Disabilities