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Dear Colleagues:

The Administration on Disabilities (AOD), Administration for Community Living (ACL), at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) invites you to the 2019 State Councils on Developmental Disabilities Technical Assistance Institute (TAI), scheduled for July 8-9, 2019 at the Sheraton Hotel, New Orleans, Louisiana. This year's conference theme is Great Expectations: Outcomes, Accountability and Results.

This conference will focus on a key priority of ACL's: outcome-based performance. This year's sessions will provide training and education on how to develop, implement and strengthen outcome-based performance metrics to improve results for people with disabilities across our nation. Materials and training presented will be key for you, your staff, and your councils as you continue to deliver on your five year state plans. There will also be sessions related to ongoing training needs to meet the reporting requirements of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000, including grant monitoring, evaluation, and impact demonstration.

This is an in-person opportunity for council staff and members to learn from ACL federal partners, staff from the Information and Technical Assistance Center for Councils on Developmental Disabilities (ITACC), and colleagues across the nation about reporting standards and effective practices in advocacy, capacity building, and systems change. Plenary and concurrent sessions are planned to facilitate in-depth knowledge development, strategy, and skill building among Councils.

For logistical questions and support, including any accommodation needs, please contact Robin Troutman (rroutman@nacdd.org) or Jessica Misilo (jmisilo@nacdd.org).

We look forward to your participation at the Institute.

Sincerely,

Julie Hocker Commissioner

Administration on Disabilities