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Dear Colleague:

The Administration on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (AIDD) within the Administration for Community Living, at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, invites you to the *2015 State Councils on Developmental Disabilities Technical Assistance Institute* scheduled for July 23, 2015 in Sparks, Nevada.

This year's Institute will focus on the <u>new</u> State Plan template and the development of a <u>new</u> Annual Work Plan document. The purpose of the meeting is to provide technical assistance and training on the elements related to these federal reporting requirements. There will be sessions on improving goals, objectives, and outcomes as we prepare for the next Five Year State Planning cycle.

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 grant funding from AIDD. Please contact Sheryl Matney (smatney@nacdd.org) for additional information about logistical support, including any needed accommodations.

We look forward to your participation at the Institute.

Sincerely,

Aaron Bishop

Commissioner

Administration on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

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