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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 (HHS) invites you to the *2018 State Councils on Developmental Disabilities Technical Assistance Institute* scheduled for July 9-10, 2018 at the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center, National Harbor, MD.

The conference agenda focuses on the critical needs of Councils and the important work they do. One full day of the Institute will address fiscal matters including: responsibilities of grant award management, monitoring, allowance, match, documentation, and reporting. Additionally, timely sessions are being offered on disaster planning, impact, and recovery, sustainability, and culture brokering. General and concurrent sessions are planned to facilitate in-depth knowledge development, strategy, and skill building among Councils.

Staff from the Administration for Community Living, both program and fiscal, will be on hand to present information, provide support, and answer questions. This meeting will provide a crucial 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 through NACDD from the Administration on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. Please contact Robin Troutman (rtroutman@nacdd.org), Jessica Misilo (jmisilo@nacdd.org) for additional information about logistical support, including any accommodation needs.

We look forward to your participation at the Institute.

Sincerely,

Mary Lazare

Acting Commissioner

Administration on Disabilities