

AAIDD Interest Network Annual Plan & Yearly Report: 2021

Planning and reporting on Interest Network activities designed to fulfil their purpose.
(See the *Interest Networks Leadership Manual* for the purpose of the Interest Networks.)

Interest Network: Education Interest Network

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Annual Report

*For the year that **just ended** (July 1-June 30), indicate objectives met, activities completed, and funds used.*

Goal: The Education Interest Network will be a dynamic and useful network for AAIDD members and potential AAIDD members.

Objective: Disseminate information and research on the education of children and youth with IDD

Activities and Progress:

- Post policy, practice, and research information on Facebook page and group (see next activity)
- Increase a linked Facebook group to go with the Facebook page

We did not get to increase social media outreach.

- Provide one webinar for AAIDD (potentially on the joint position paper or in collaboration with another Interest Network)

Although we were not successful with providing one webinar for AAIDD, a survey was conducted with EIN members to collect ideas about webinar topics for the upcoming year.

- Submit a presentation to AAIDD and other outlets of the joint position manuscript

A presentation was submitted to the AAIDD conference.

Objective: Increase awareness of and involvement in the Education Interest Network

Activities and Progress:

- Provide a scholarship to a graduate student whose work aligns with the Education Interest Network

Scholarships were provided to Tracy Sinclair (early career) and Joshua Taylor (graduate student) from the EIN.

- Hold quarterly meetings (invite all AAIDD Education Interest Network members to participate)

Quartely meetings were held and all EIN network members were invited. Participation was not as high as we hoped. Thus, efforts to increase participation will continue during the upcoming year.

Due July 23, 2021

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- Create a list of presentations on education for the annual meeting/conference and send this list to Education Interest Members for easy reference at annual meeting/conference

A list of presentations was developed for the annual meeting.

- Submit a proposal for an informational poster about the Education Interest Network and its priorities at the annual AAIDD meeting/conference

A proposal by the EIN was submitted to the conference.

Annual Plan: Goals, Objectives, Activities, and Strategies

For the coming year (July 1-June 30), describe the planned objectives, activities, and proposed expenditure of funds.

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Objective: Disseminate information and research on the education of children and youth with IDD

Activities and Progress:

- Provide one webinar for AAIDD (potential focus on services during COVID impact, learning loss, new assessments, post-secondary transition)
- Post monthly to Facebook page new information about research on the education of children and youth with IDD
- Submit a presentation to AAIDD annual meeting/conference and other outlets about the research of the EIN
- Submit special issue topic ideas to journals (e.g., *Inclusion*) to increase collaboration opportunities of EIN members.

Objective: Increase awareness of and involvement in the Education Interest Network

Activities and Progress:

- Develop procedures for internship/leadership opportunities for AAIDD student members in the EIN
- Provide a scholarship to a graduate student whose work aligns with the Education Interest Network
- Hold quarterly meetings (invite all AAIDD Education Interest Network members to participate)
- Create a list of presentations on education for the annual meeting/conference and send this list to Education Interest Members for easy reference at the annual meeting/conference