

To Register, please contact the appropriate location and identify:

- 1. your name and the names of others coming with you*
- 2. your email and/or phone*
- 3. your choice for common interest group*
- 4. if you need an interpreter or have any special dietary requirements.*

NORTH

Ft. Wayne

APRIL 18th

Summit Middle School
4509 Homestead Road

dsani4u@aol.com

(260) 471-9964

CENTRAL

Indianapolis

MARCH 14th

Pike Training Center
6321 La Pas Trail

register@indianadsf.org

(317)925-7617

SOUTH

Columbus

MARCH 7th

Columbus East High School
230 South Marr Road

register@cadssg.org

(812) 372-0610 or

(812) 371-3407

Partnering To Build Better IEPs

A Workshop for Parents and Educators



**Down Syndrome
Indiana™**



You are Invited! Bring Your Child's Teacher!

This workshop will examine the critical components of building a strong IEP and will engage participants in practice during subsequent breakout sessions.

The components that will be addressed include setting long-term expectations, examining present levels of performance, identifying the needs of the student, articulating measurable annual goals, determining services, monitoring progress, and evaluating the overall effectiveness of the IEP.

Both the morning and the afternoon sessions will begin with a large group presentation. Then, the participants will move to smaller groups to discuss the information that had been presented and to practice. The afternoon will be dedicated specifically to writing measurable educational goals.

Each day begins at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 3:30 p.m. There is no cost to attend. Lunch will be provided.



Please select the workshop date and location that works best for you. To register, use the contact information associated with your choice.

Advanced registration is required.

When registering for the conference, please identify the grouping from below that is most relevant to your child. You may make a first and second choice.

Organizers will consider your preferences and plan for you to meet others with similar interests as you practice the components presented in the large group session.

Common Interest Groups for Breakout Sessions

- **Transition IEPs (8th grade or ages 13+)**
- **Early Childhood**
- **Success with General Curriculum**
- **Success in Self-Contained Settings**
- **Supporting Positive Behavior**

The Presenter

Dr. Dawn McGrath is the mother of two sons, the oldest being a teenager with a disability. Dawn directs the ICAN Project, a grant supported by the Indiana Department of Education.

Her team has designed and supported state technology for compliant special education processes since 2000.



Article 7 and ISTART7

On August 13, 2008, the new Article 7 went into effect. These rules regulate special education programs across the State of Indiana.

The state has also provided free technology to school corporations to guide compliant case conference committee processes. Named ISTART7 (Indiana Standard Tool for Article 7 compliance), this web-based software has been adopted by over 80% of the districts in the state.

Whether or not your district has partnered with ISTART7, the processes in place for developing a strong IEP remains the same. Take advantage of this opportunity and gain a valuable understanding of the best practices in place to serve our children.