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Thankful, grateful, and appreciative are the best words to describe the efforts that I am personally viewing from so many of our operational inclusive postsecondary programs and those institutions of higher education that are considering the development of a program.

I am thankful for the rich discussions and sharing of inclusive ideas that you are experiencing as a part of our Consortium network. It is uplifting to see the momentum and energy that you gain from working with one another to develop and maintain inclusive initiatives for young adults in our Pennsylvania colleges and universities.

Much gratitude is extended to you, your team of stakeholders and your institution of higher education to have the courage to develop and implement an inclusive initiative for students who have never had the option to attend college until recently. Every decision that you make each day to give the students in your program a fully inclusive experience in college is leading the effort to improve education for everyone on your campus. I sincerely thank you for these efforts.

Families across the Commonwealth have commented numerous times in the past several weeks on how appreciative they are of the resolve that program staff members have in forging a path for their respective family member to have an authentic college experience. I echo their appreciation.

Accolades for the work that we pursue do not come by chance. You continue to blaze the trail of opportunities for young adults with intellectual disability to attend college just like everybody else.

Many good wishes are extended from the Consortium office for a good and well deserved break for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Ann Marie Licata, Ph.D., Director



Dr. Ann Marie Licata and Dr. Alia Pustorino-Clevenger presented at the State of the Art Conference 2019 on Wednesday, November 13, 2019 representing our Pennsylvania Inclusive Higher Education Consortium.

WHAT IS HAPPENING

- [2019 TASH Conference: Building Diverse and Inclusive Communities will be held on December 5-7, 2019 at the Sheraton Grand in Phoenix, AZ](#)
- [EVERYDAY LIVES Conference will be held on January 7-9, 2020 at Hershey Lodge, PA](#)
- [Save the date: April 22-23, 2019 at Millersville University—A three in one event featuring international disability right activist Judy Heumann](#)
- [Save the date for the fifth annual Regional Post-Secondary Inclusive College Program Summit that will be held on May 28, 2020 at the College of NJ in Ewing, NJ.](#)

DID YOU KNOW?

Think College and the Transition Leadership Program at the Institute for Community Inclusion at the University of Massachusetts Boston are offering a special topics course for transition specialists, college program coordinators, secondary education teachers, secondary special education administrators, and doctoral and Master's students.

Find more at: <https://thinkcollege.net/think-college-news/first-of-its-kind-special-topics-course-on-college-based-transition-services>

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