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Special Edition



Supporting Authentic, Inclusive
Postsecondary Education

A few days ago, we received confirmation that we have been awarded the TPSID grant for a second five years. What has been accomplished over the past five years could not have been done without our PIHEC Members, Friends, and Partners in Change, and what is to be achieved over the next five years will only be so because of them. I want to send a big, heartfelt Thank You! to all of them for their support and encouragement.

By the fall of 2025, over 1000 students with intellectual disability will be enrolled in colleges throughout Pennsylvania. This, of course, represents a significant change in individual lives, and it also signals a sea change that is a profound and notable transformation. A transformation that can only be realized by understanding the movement from "[Suffer the Little Children](#)" to "[Opening Doors to College](#)." In 2025, we will be witnessing another movement to "communities of leadership" with highly valued roles being filled by graduates with developed voices demanding to be heard. This can only be done if we strengthen the inclusive postsecondary community we have in order to nurture the community we will become.

This is a large and welcoming tent we have constructed, and we welcome all in pursuit of inclusive postsecondary education.

Thomas Neville, Ph.D. Principal Investigator

ALLIES AND OBSTACLES
Disability Activism and Parents of Children with Disabilities

Allison Carey, Pamela Block and Richard Scotch, the authors of [Allie and Obstacles: Disability Activism and Parents of Children with Disabilities](#) will be the panelists for the Shippensburg University's [Disability Studies Fall Lecture](#) held via zoom on **October 20, 2020.**

[MU Disability Film Festival](#) featuring the award winning movie [Stumped](#) will roll out virtually on **October 28, 2020.** The movie and the post screening dialogue with film star and comedian [Will Lautzenheiser](#) are part of the [3rd Annual Millersville University Virtual Disability Pride](#) that will unfold virtually on October 28, 2020.

We celebrate with our colleagues and friends at [Think College](#) and congratulate them on being awarded the grant to continue as the National Coordinating Center. This means so much to so many. Students with intellectual disability in the United States are growing into citizen roles of leadership across the country thanks to the steadfast work of the [Think College](#)

Welcome to [Saint Joseph's University](#), [Angus Murray](#), Executive Director, and [The Kinney Center](#) to the PA TPSID family. Congratulations to Angus and his team for being awarded a TPSID 2020 grant. We look forward to years of collaboration and mutual support.

U.S. Department of Education awarded Transition and Postsecondary Programs for Students with Intellectual Disabilities grants to the following institutions. Project abstracts can be found at: <https://www2.ed.gov/programs/tpsid/awards.html>

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| The Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois | Utah Valley University |
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DISABILITY PRIDE
Millersville University

October 28, 2020

Join the 3rd Annual Millersville University Disability Pride to virtually celebrate disability culture, envision radical access, and advocate for disability justice.

SPECIAL THANKS TO:

Register at <http://bit.ly/3MUDisabilityPride>

Applications for the 2021 [AAPD Summer Internship Program](#) is now open, and the deadline to apply is **October 28, 2020.**

The Institute on Disabilities at Temple University is conducting a survey on the experiences of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Pennsylvania during the Covid-19 pandemic (or emergency). The goal is to use the information on what's working and what's not working for you during this emergency to improve services and supports. If you live in Pennsylvania, are 18 or older and have an intellectual disability or a developmental disability, please consider completing the 5 to 10 minute survey! If you want to share online, click [here](#). If you want to share via phone or video call, click [here](#) to set up a time.