



# Capacity Building Institute

Back Together to Build Together: OSERS & YETI Kickoff  
May 16, 2023

# Welcome & Purpose



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# OSERS & YETI Opening Welcome

- Back Together to Build Together
  - Welcome and purpose
  - Introductions
  - Q&A Discussion: Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS) & NTACT:C Youth Engagement Transition Initiative (YETI)
  - CBI reminders and wrap-up

# Introductions



# NTACT:C – OSEP & RSA Project Officers

- Selete Avoke  
OSEP Project Officer  
Office of Special Education Programs, OSERS
- Tara Jordan  
RSA Project Officer  
Rehabilitation Services Administration, OSERS
- April Hammond  
RSA Co-Project Officer  
Rehabilitation Services Administration, OSERS

# Today's Panelists

- Carol Dobak  
Deputy Commissioner, delegated the authority to perform the functions and duties of the Commissioner  
Rehabilitation Services Administration, OSERS
- Valerie Williams  
Director  
Office of Special Education Programs, OSERS
- Cadence (Cady) Russell  
NTACT:C Youth Engagement Transition Initiative (YETI)
- Amanda Waldron  
NTACT:C Youth Engagement Transition Initiative (YETI)

# OSERS & YETI Q&A Discussion



**Consider this week and moving forward.....**

“Why are collaborations so important to helping students and youth with disabilities achieve positive post-school outcomes?”



# CBI Reminders & Wrap-up



# CBI Agenda -At-A-Glance

NTACT:C 2023 Capacity Building Institute  
[Back Together to Build Together](#)  
 Tuesday, May 16 – Thursday, May 18, 2023

## Tuesday, May 16

7:30 AM–5:00 PM	Registration Open	Midway
8:00 AM–12:45 PM	Facilitator Prep	
9:00 –9:30 AM	General Session – NTACT:C 2023 Capacity Building Institute: Foundations and Framing	
9:45–11:30 AM	Concurrent Workshops (6)	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Unlocking the Potential - Strategies for Sustained Planning and Maximizing Team Collaborations</li> <li>○ Who's on First? Unpacking the Side-by-Side Transition Services Guide</li> <li>○ Statewide Professional Development – Essential Elements for Cross-Agency Approaches</li> <li>○ Frameworks for the Future – Interagency Collaboration</li> <li>○ Ensuring Your Voice is Heard: Youth Engagement Strategies and Networking at the CBI and Beyond</li> <li>○ Data-Based Decision Making, Data Sharing, and Data Use</li> </ul>	
11:30 AM–12:45 PM	Lunch on your own	
1:00–2:00 PM	General Session – Back Together to Build Together OSERS and YETI Opening/ Welcome	University Ballroom
2:15–3:15 PM	Concurrent Sessions (7) – Round 1	
3:30–5:00 PM	Interagency State Team Strategic Planning #1	
5:00–5:45 PM	Facilitator Debrief	
5:30– 7:00 PM	Resource Walk	

## Wednesday, May 17

7:30 AM – 5:00 PM	Registration Open	Midway
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	General Session (Panel) – Collaboration, Capacity Building and Support through the Years	University Ballroom
10:15 AM – 11:45 AM	Interagency State Team Strategic Planning #2	
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Table Talks – Working Meeting	
1:45 PM – 2:45 PM	Concurrent Sessions (7) – Round 2	
3:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Interagency State Team Strategic Planning #3	
5:00 PM – 5:45 PM	Facilitator Debrief	

## Thursday, May 18

9:00–10:00 AM	Concurrent Sessions (7) – Round 3	
10:15–11:15 AM	Interagency State Team Strategic Planning #4	
11:30 AM–12:30 PM	General Session – Energized to Make a Difference	University Ballroom
12:30 PM	ADJOURN	

# CBI Top Ten Titles

1. Moving Forward: Effective Strategies, Supports and Resources in Supporting Families and Youth in Secondary Transition
2. CTE, Special Education and VR - Increasing Awareness and Engaging Students in Employment
3. Disability, Poverty and Financial Capability
4. So Glad You're Still with Us - Supporting Students' Psychological Health and Academic Engagement
5. Follow the Yellow Brick Road -The Path to Competitive Integrated Employment for Youth with Disabilities
6. Barnstorming Pre-ETS: Providing Pre-Employment Transition Services in Rural Communities
7. Moving Towards Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion
8. Unlocking the Potential - Strategies for Sustained Planning and Maximizing Team Collaborations
9. A Future that Includes Employment – The Importance of Family Engagement
10. Students with Disabilities in Correctional Education – A National Perspective and State-to-Local Coordination

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Please take a moment to submit your session  
**Quick Reaction**

