

# Ensuring Your Voice is Heard: Youth Engagement Strategies & Networking at the CBI and Beyond

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9:45 AM – 11:30 AM

# Today's hosts

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# Welcome and Getting Acquainted

# Purpose of the CBI



Increase knowledge of effective transition-focused practices and resources



Use pre-assessment results and relevant transition data to reflect on current practices



Update or develop **interagency** state plans



Network with other states and entities



Build capacity of state-level transition team leadership

# Capacity building model

- ❑ Institute is one piece of NTACT:C's capacity building model
- ❑ Ongoing process
- ❑ Strategic planning occurs all year
- ❑ Access to NTACT:C support and technical assistance

# CBI themes

- Engagement of students, youth, and families in their educational and transition services
- Data-based decision making, sharing, and use to improve programs and outcomes at the state- and local-levels
- Justice, equity, and inclusion in services to diverse populations of students and youth with disabilities
- Collaborative partnerships and service delivery for ongoing recovery and retention
- Provision of career and technical education, career pathways, and work-based learning experiences for underrepresented and *all* students and youth with disabilities

# CBI At-a-Glance

□ Tuesday, May 16, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. EDT

- 9:00 – 9:30 Purpose of the CBI – Foundations and Framing
- 9:45 – 11:30 Concurrent workshops (6)
- 1:00 – 2:00 CBI Kickoff
- 2:15 – 3:15 Concurrent sessions (7)
- 3:30 – 5:00 Team planning meeting #1
- 5:00 - 5:45 Student/Youth Debrief
- 5:30 – 6:30 Resource walk

# CBI At-a-Glance <sup>(2)</sup>

- Wednesday, May 17, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. EDT
  - 9:00 – 10:00      General Session – Panel
  - 10:15 – 11:45    Team Planning meeting #2
  - 12:00 – 1:45      Working meeting – Table Talks
  - 2:00 – 3:00        Concurrent sessions (7)
  - 3:15 – 5:00        Team planning meeting #3
  - 5:00 – 5:45        Student/Youth Debrief



# Wednesday Lunch Table Talks – 24 groupings

- ❑ Coordinating Student and Youth Services
- ❑ Expending State VR Funds and Strategies for Managing the 15% Reserve
- ❑ Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion – Recovery and Retention
- ❑ Interagency Data Sharing
- ❑ Youth Leadership
- ❑ Family Engagement
- ❑ Statewide Systems of PD
- ❑ Mental Health
- ❑ Building Capacity at the Local Level
- ❑ Interagency Collaboration
- ❑ Postsecondary Education and Training
- ❑ Hot Topic TBD

# CBI At-a-Glance <sup>(3)</sup>

- Thursday, May 18, 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. EDT
  - 9:00 – 10:00      Concurrent sessions (7)
  - 10:15 – 11:15      Final team planning meeting
  - 11:30 – 12:30      General Session – Closing

# In person fun!

- State Team Raffle Items
- Resource Walk
- Take a Break Room
- Selfie Station
- Internet Café
- Hanging with your friends and teammates
- Meet and network with folks from all over the country

# What state teams have done before arriving at the CBI....

- Brought interagency team together
- Conduct NTACT:C Strategic Planning Pre-Assessment
- Reviewed goals, progress and challenges with state interagency team
- Looked at goals the team wants to bring forward for the 2023 plan?
- Looked at new areas the team wants to consider, based on the pre-assessment results

# All team members should be engaged



Feel like they are being listened to



Involvement is purposeful



Respected



Part of the conversation



Not being judged



Asked their opinions



Are actively involved in the process

# Strategic planning process

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Establish team roles and responsibilities

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Utilize planning document or tool

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Assess progress towards previously established goals

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Update existing or identify new goals/activities and timelines

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Identify evaluation measures for goals

# NTACT:C's strategic planning tool

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Taxonomy for Transition Programming 2.0

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Evidence-based

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Provides a roadmap through the institute towards goal setting

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Facilitator prepped in the tool

# Content experts

Available to teams during team planning meetings 2, 3, and 4

Teams identify interests or topic-related questions



**Wow – that’s a lot of stuff..... Questions?**

# Hotel and Ground Tour

# How To Get The Most Out of the CBI and Ensure Your Voice is Heard

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

