ISBE Approved CPDU and CEU Provider



Professional Development Activities

Wizdom Education offers three Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) approved Professional Development Activities through which teachers can **earn Continuing Education Units (CEU) and/or Continuing Professional Development Units (CPDU)**. CPDU Workshops include presentation, practice, feedback, case studies, small group work, and technology application. CEU Workshops are based on the national staff development movement to integrate training with in-class performance.

Activity 001 - TEAMING WITH - NOT AGAINST - FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY SERVICE PROVIDERS. Transition Planning involves the student, parents/guardians, school personnel and community service providers. When participants complete this activity, they will be able to lead the IEP team (including student, parents, and service providers) so that the ITP is a student driven, collaborative effort.

Activity 002 - LETTING FUTURE HOPES GUIDE PRESENT DECISIONS

IDEA97 specifies that Transition Plans should be based on the student's expressed desires for his or her future. Further, there is an accepted Transition Planning best practice process. When participants complete this activity, they will be able to help students identify their future goals, identify related issues, address problems, and create documentation that demonstrates compliance, conformance and accountability.

Activity 003 - USING THE WEB TO MANAGE IEP FORMS. Case managers who cannot use technology - who are working hard to become comfortable and competent - are often left spinning their wheels, becoming frustrated, and lose tremendous amounts of personal and professional time learning how to use it. When participants complete this activity, they will be about to use technology competently to retrieve, use, and store IEP forms on web-based IEP forms management systems.

Wizdom's leadership in Professional Training includes the following:

- decades of experience in developing and presenting adult education programs worldwide in many complex and diverse areas
- decades of experience in actually working within Special Education systems and programs
- through US Department of Education funding designed and developed *TransPlanner!* (patent applied for), a web-based transition planning system that collects students' needs, preferences, and interests, generates activities that support goals, and links students to appropriate community service providers.
- co-designed and co-implemented *LiveIEP!*, a web-based IEP forms management system, at NCUSD 203
- competitively selected by commercial and government organizations to develop and present instructional material in class rooms, by computer and over the web

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Wizdom complies with Best Practices in course development, course delivery and adherence to applicable Illinois State and Federal Laws.

Wizdom understands IDEA97 as it is today and as it will be evolving based upon the "No Child Left Behind Act". The focus will be on achieving measurable results. Wizdom courses are designed to equip case managers with the knowledge and experience to accomplish this objective for the benefit of all parties involved.

TEAMING WITH - NOT AGAINST - FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY SERVICE PROVIDERS

This course supports Illinois Teaching Standards for teacher knowledge and performance for Collaborative Relationships. Specifically, it addresses the Collaboration area Knowledge Goal B:

Understands the benefits, barriers and techniques involved in parent/family relationships and identifies and uses community resources to enhance student learning and to provide opportunities for students to explore career opportunities.

LETTING FUTURE HOPES GUIDE PRESENT DECISIONS

This course supports Illinois Teaching Standards for teacher performance for Planning for Instruction Planning area goals 3, 4, 8, and 10:

- 3. creates short-range and long-term plans to achieve expectations for student learning
- 4. develops plans based on student responses
- 8. provides for different pathways based on student needs
- 10. accesses and uses a wide range of information and instructional technologies to enhance student learning.

USING THE WEB TO MANAGE IEP FORMS

This course supports Illinois Teaching Standards for teacher performance for Planning for Instruction Planning for Instruction Goal 4G.

Understands how to use various technological tools to access and manage information.

RECORD KEEPING for CPDU's and CEU's

As an approved ISBE provider Wizdom must keep attendance records for five years, evaluation forms (77-21) on file for three years and provide evidence of completion forms (77-21) to participants. Wizdom provides secure 24/7 access for participants to their own records through Wizdom's own *LiveIEP!* software from any browser.



ABOUT WIZDOM EDUCATION Wizdom Systems, Inc. has conducted extensive research into the needs of the Special Education community. Working with educators, parents, service providers and law makers, Wizdom is providing software that satisfies the needs of all participants for effectiveness and efficiency. The Wizdom goal is Compliance. Conformance and Accountability.

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