

## Mid Year “Check and Connect” Cadre Meeting Using Data to Target and Evaluate Improvement Activities

Wednesday, October 12, 2011  
Westin Crown Center in Kansas City, Missouri

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| <b>8:00 – 9:00 Continental Breakfast</b>                     |   |  |
| <b>8:30 – 9:00</b>   | <b>Welcome</b><br>Overview of Day<br>National Initiatives Affecting<br>Secondary Special Education            | David Test, <i>NSTTAC</i><br>Matthew Klare,<br><i>NDPC-SD</i><br>Deanne Unruh, <i>NPSO</i><br>Corinne Weidenthal,<br><i>OSEP</i> |
| <b>9:00 – 10:00 1<sup>st</sup> Pair of Content Sessions</b>  |   |  |
|  | <b>I. Assessing Need: Gathering Data from Within Your State</b>   | Paula Kohler & June Gothberg, <i>NSTTAC</i> ;<br>Chuck Saur, <i>Michigan Transition Outcomes Project</i>                         |
|  | <b>II. Cross Agency Policy Analysis: Report from the Indiana Policy Workgroup</b>                             | Teresa Grossi,<br><i>Indiana University</i><br>Host: <i>Catherine Fowler, NSTTAC</i>   |
| <b>10:00 – 10:15 Break</b>                                   |   |  |
| <b>10:15 – 11:15 2<sup>nd</sup> Pair of Content Sessions</b> |   |  |
|  | <b>I. Indicator 14: SPP/APR Self-Assessment and Guidance for Writing</b>                                      | Charlotte Alverson,<br>Ryan Kellems & Jim Leinen, <i>NPSO</i>  |
|  | <b>II. Data-Based System of Statewide Technical Assistance</b>  | Kevin Davis, <i>for Kansas State Department of Education</i><br>Host: <i>David Test, NSTTAC</i>                                  |
| <b>Brief Transition</b>                                      |   |  |
| <b>11:30 – 12:15</b>   | <b>Assessing Need: Gathering Data from Across States and Reflecting on YOUR State’s Strengths &amp; Needs</b> | NSTTAC   |

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**12:15 – 1:15 Lunch**

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**1:15 – 2:15 3<sup>rd</sup> Pair of Content Sessions**

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| <p>I. Program Improvement at the Local Level: Evaluating Student Outcomes (Level 5 Data)</p>                 | <p>Paula Kohler, Jennifer Coyle, Rashell Bowerman, June Gothberg, <i>NSTTAC</i></p>                                  |
| <p>II. Evaluating District Level Progress on Improvement Activities (follow-up to Session II in Round 2)</p> | <p>Beth Clavenna-Dean, <i>Kansas Secondary Connections at University of KS</i><br/>Host: <i>Catherine Fowler</i></p> |

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**2:15 – 2:30 Break**

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**2:30 – 3:30 4<sup>th</sup> Pair of Content Sessions**

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| <p>I. SPP/APR Improvement Activities for Indicator 14</p>                             | <p>Deanne Unruh, Charlotte Alverson, &amp; Dawn Rowe, <i>NPSO</i></p>  |
| <p>II. Drilling Down in the Data and Identifying Targets for Technical Assistance</p> | <p>David Tillman, <i>North Carolina Department of Public Instruction</i><br/>Host: <i>Matthew Klare, NPDC-SD</i></p> |

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**Brief Transition**

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**3:45 – 4:15 Update on Resources from National Centers**

Tools and resources from the National Centers

Matthew Klare, *NDPC-SD*  
Mindee O’Cummings, *NHSC*  
Charlotte Alverson, *NPSO*  
David Test, *NSTTAC*  
Jim Leinen, *RRCP*

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**4:15 – 4:45 Busting the Barriers**

Sharing your needs and strengths/  
Resource idea sharing

Facilitated by TA Center Staff

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**4:45 – 5:00 Wrap-Up and Evaluation**