



A New Federal Project Focused on Inclusive Postsecondary Education

The Think College Inclusive Higher Education Network is a national technical assistance and dissemination center focused on expanding inclusive postsecondary education (IPSE) for students with intellectual disability (ID). This project will raise public awareness about IPSE opportunities, translate research to practice through training and technical assistance development, and create collaborative workgroups to address existing gaps in services. By further developing regional infrastructure, the Inclusive Higher Education Network will also create localized, customizable technical assistance and supports to IPSE program staff, families, students, and transition professionals. Our objective is to support improved access, engagement, and outcomes for students with ID in colleges and universities across the US.

KEY ACTIVITIES

Regional Alliances

Build a network of regional alliances to support strategic regional partnerships and offer technical assistance and other learning opportunities on inclusive higher education in each region.



Public Awareness

Develop and disseminate a national public awareness campaign sharing the purpose and outcomes of inclusive postsecondary education with four important stakeholder groups: 1) students, 2) educators, 3) families, and 4) IHE leadership, faculty and staff.



Employment Partnerships

Facilitate a workgroup on employment partnerships for inclusive higher education that will identify and address policy and practice barriers and create resources designed to build stronger pathways to employment for college students with intellectual disability.



Career and Technical Education (CTE)

Increase opportunities in Career and Technical Education via a workgroup that will identify and address barriers to career and technical education opportunities for students with intellectual disability.



Training

Translate research-based best practices into training opportunities to expand inclusive practices in higher education, including a repository of inclusive instructional practices and training modules.



Technical Assistance

Provide technical assistance and resources to support all institutions of higher education (IHEs) with inclusive postsecondary education program development, expansion, and continuous improvement.



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