

Update on Educational Identification Policy

Friday, September 13, 2013 – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Melinda Graham, Autism Consultant from the Colorado Department of Education will give a brief overview of the CDE's activities to support school districts and BOCES in evaluating students, with and without a diagnosis, for eligibility for special education services using the new Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) category. Following will be a panel discussion by special education directors from across the state on the benefits and barriers to identifying students without a diagnosis as being a student with the educational identification of ASD. They will also discuss how to insure the student's IEP development addresses academic and non-academic challenges for this population. Susan Hepburn, PhD, Psychologist at JFK Partners will discuss the Educational Identification Guidelines under development.

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.	Co-CANDO Meeting and Updates
10:00 – 10:15 a.m.	Break
10:15 – 10:45 a.m.	Overview of Educational Identification of Autism Spectrum Disorders (Melinda Graham)
10:45 – 11:30 a.m.	Panel – School District Perspective <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Amy Addison – Autism Specialist, Aurora Public Schools• Bob Barrows – Special Education, Jeffco• Marietta Sears – Director of Special Education, District RE-5J, Johnstown-Milliken• Tanya Skalecki – Executive Director, Student Services, Mesa 51 School District• Kerry Whitmore – Director, Pikes Peak BOCES
11:30 – 12:00 noon	JFK Update on Educational Identification work in Colorado (Susan Hepburn)

Registration:

<http://www.jfkpartners.org/Workshops.asp>

Pre-registration *by Wed, Sept 11, 2013* is required due to space limitations for both the live site and a webinar connection.

Live Site Attendance

LIVE Site Location:

Anschutz Medical Campus, Ben Nighthorse
Campbell Building, Shore Auditorium
13055 E. 17th Avenue
Aurora, CO 80045

A **map** with directions and **PARKING** information will be emailed along with a reminder a few days before the event. We strongly recommend you print and bring them with you to make finding parking and the room easier for you.

OR

Webinar Attendance

ONLINE connection:

Be sure to register as a **web participant** in order to receive an email 2 business days before the event with a link and instructions for connecting.

Sound for the webinar will be through your computer, so there is no phone number to dial into. You will be able to type in your questions in the Chat box, but will not be able to ask questions by microphone.