



AUCD 2024 CONFERENCE

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Creating a More Inclusive World

# AUCD 2024 Conference Agenda

November 3-6, 2024

## Saturday, November 2

8:30 AM – 4:30 PM — FASD Pre Conference (*additional registration fee required*)

Ballroom Level: Anacostia D, E

## Sunday, November 3

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM — Sensory Break Room

Meeting Room Level: Hickory

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM — UCEDD Directors Meeting (Invite only)

Ballroom Level: Potomac 1/2

11:00 AM – 5:00 PM — Registration Open

Ballroom Level: Potomac Ballroom Foyer

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM — Lunch on Your Own

12:00 PM – 4:00 PM — Data Coordinators Meeting

Meeting Room Level: River Birch B



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1:00 PM – 4:00 PM — LEND Directors Meeting (Invite only)

Ballroom Level: Anacostia D, E

1:30 PM – 3:30 PM — Trainee Networking Session

Meeting Room Level: River Birch A

3:00 PM – 4:00 PM — SIG Meeting: Health & Disability

Meeting Room Level: MR 16

4:00 PM – 4:30 PM — Hotel Tour for Attendees

Location TBD

4:30 PM – 6:00 PM — Opening Plenary

Ballroom Level: Potomac Ballroom

6:15 PM – 7:45 PM — AIR-P Research Day Poster Symposium

Ballroom Level: Anacostia F

6:15 PM+ — Dinner on your own

## **Monday, November 4**

7:00 AM – 5:00 PM — Registration Open

Ballroom Level: Potomac Ballroom Foyer

7:30 AM – 8:15 AM — Networking Breakfast for Professionals with Disabilities



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Ballroom Level: Anacostia F

**7:30 AM – 8:30 AM — General Hosted Continental Breakfast**

Ballroom Level: Potomac Ballroom Foyer

**8:00 AM – 5:00 PM — Sensory Break Room**

Meeting Room Level: Hickory

**9:00 AM – 5:00 PM — Exhibitors Open**

Ballroom Level: Rock Creek Ballroom

**9:00 AM – 5:00 PM — AUCD Marketplace Open**

Ballroom Level: Rock Creek Ballroom

**8:30 AM – 10:00 AM — Community Education and Dissemination**

**Council (CEDC) Meeting**

Ballroom Level: Potomac 3

**8:30 AM – 10:00 AM — Multicultural Council (MCC) Meeting**

Ballroom Level: Potomac 1

**10:00 AM – 10:15 AM — Poster Symposia Set-Up**

Ballroom Level: Anacostia E & F

**10:15 AM – 11:30 AM — Concurrent Sessions Group 1**



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- **Together is Stronger: Using Evidence-Based Interventions at Multiple Levels to Improve Direct Support Workforce Stability**

Meeting Level: River Birch B

- **PATH: Promoting Accessibility to Healthcare for Neurodiverse Individuals**

Meeting Level: MR 3

- **From Individual to Systems Impact: Why Direct Support of Families is Vital to Creating Systems Change**

Meeting Level: MR 4

- **Enhancing Interdisciplinary Services for People with Disabilities in Schools, Community, and Healthcare Settings**

Meeting Level: MR 9

- **Strengthening the Self-Advocacy Discipline: Results and Recommendations Based on a Small Pilot Study Utilizing the Self-Advocacy Competencies**

Meeting Level: MR 15

- **Aspiring LeaDDership Program: Working Together to Empower Inclusive Leadership Education for Adults with Developmental Disabilities**

Meeting Level: MR 8

- **LEND Pittsburgh Advocacy Academy: A Medium-Term Traineeship for Rural Families and Self-Advocates**



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Meeting Level: MR 14

- **Stronger Together: Efforts to Enhance State and Community Collaboration to Promote Transition from High School and Employment Outcomes**

Meeting Level: MR 5

- **Promoting Mental Health Through Prevention Programming: The Mental Health Awareness and Advocacy (MHAA) Curriculum Suite**

Meeting Level: MR 16

- **Ethics and Quality-of-Life: Addressing Barriers and Biases Related to Treatment Dilemmas Faced by People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities**

Meeting Level: River Birch A

- **Service Delivery and Acquisition in Rural Communities: How Incorrect Data Exacerbates an Already Challenging Problem**

Meeting Level: MR 13

- **Engaging Spanish-Speaking Communities: Inclusive Strategies for Research, Program Creation, and Information Dissemination for Children with Disabilities**

Meeting Level: MR 12

- **Relevance and Rigor: Prioritizing Lived Experience in High-Quality Research**

Meeting Level: MR 2



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10:15 AM – 11:30 AM Poster Symposia 1A – Diagnostic and Clinical Service Issues; Technology, Assistive Technology and Universal Design

Ballroom Level: Anacostia E

10:15 AM – 11:30 AM Poster Symposia 1B – Education: K-12, Literacy, Learning; Education: Postsecondary; Territories

Ballroom Level: Anacostia F

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM — Lunch on your own

11:45 AM – 12:30 PM — SIG Meeting: Early Childhood

Meeting Level: River Birch B

11:45 AM – 12:30 PM — SIG Meeting: Mental Health Aspects of IDD

Meeting Level: MR 4

11:45 AM – 12:30 PM — SIG Meeting: International

Meeting Level: MR 3

11:45 AM – 12:30 PM — SIG Meeting: Employment

Meeting Level: MR 5

11:45 AM – 12:30 PM — SIG Meeting: Autism

Meeting Level: River Birch A



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12:30 PM – 2:00 PM — Council on Research and Evaluation (CORE)  
Meeting

Ballroom Level: Potomac 3

12:30 PM – 2:00 PM — Public Policy Committee Meeting

Ballroom Level: Potomac 1

2:00 PM – 2:15 PM — Poster Symposia Set-Up

Ballroom Level: Anacostia E & F

2:15 PM – 3:30 PM — Concurrent Sessions Group 2

- Leveraging the LEND Family Discipline Network: Benefits to Full Integration of the Lived Experience and How to Capitalize on It

Meeting Level: MR 3

- Roots and Wings: Embracing Heritage and Supporting Black Families of Children with Developmental Disabilities

Meeting Level: MR 16

- Supporting Healthy Relationships for People with Disabilities and Others in their Social Worlds

Meeting Level: MR 2

- Co-Creating Educational and Training Curriculum with Individuals with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities



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## (IWIDD): Recommendations for Researchers, IWIDD, and Community Partners

Meeting Level: MR 4

- Writing the Handbook for Radical Higher Education Change Led by Inclusive Postsecondary Education

Meeting Level: MR 15

- Leveraging the Charting the LifeCourse Framework to Drive Person-Centered Transformation that Focuses on All

Meeting Level: MR 8

- Empowering Network Collaboration: Meeting the Mental Health Needs of People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

Meeting Level: MR 9

- Collaborative Approach to Understanding and Increasing Access to Oral Health Services for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities in Virginia

Meeting Level: MR 14

- The Family Support Project – Empowering Families to Navigate Complex Care Systems in BYS Through Advocacy Support and Training

Meeting Level: MR 5





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- **Yes, You Can Actually!:** Collaborative Planning for an Envable Life

Meeting Level: MR 12

- **Leveraging AUCD's Network to Build Inclusive Communities Through Home and Community-Based Services as Part of ACL's Grassroots Project**

Meeting Level: River Birch B

- **Exploring Voluntary Credentialing Initiatives for the Direct Support Workforce in New York**

Meeting Level: MR 13

- **Dialogue Across the AUCD Network to Advance Meaningful Collaborations – Examples from UCEDDs, LENDs and IDDRCs – Chapter 2(024)**

Meeting Level: River Birch A

**2:15 PM – 3:30 PM — Poster Symposia 2A – Systems-Level Implementation, Demonstration, and Evaluation; Training and Leadership Development; Other Topics**

Ballroom Level: Anacostia E

**2:15 PM – 3:30 PM — Poster Symposia 2B – Training and Leadership Development**

Ballroom Level: Anacostia F



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3:30 PM – 4:00 PM — Afternoon Snack Break with Exhibitors

Ballroom Level: Rock Creek Ballroom

3:45 PM – 4:00 PM — Poster Symposia Set-Up

Ballroom Level: Anacostia E & F

4:00 PM – 5:15 PM — Concurrent Sessions Group 3

- Impact of the HCBS Rule and COVID-19 on Long-Term Supports for People with IDD Based on Three National Longitudinal Studies

Meeting Level: River Birch A

- Self-Determination in a State Developmental Service System: Evaluating the Experiences and Perspectives of Stakeholders in California

Meeting Level: MR 11

- State/County Government and Health-Service Collaboration to Improve Access to Home/Community-Based Services for Those with Intellectual Disability and Autism

Meeting Level: MR 8

- Public Policy Transition from Pediatric Health to Adulthood

Meeting Level: MR 4

- Race Placed: Special Education Identification and Placement of Black Students



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Meeting Level: MR 3

- Supported Decision-Making: Listening to People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities to Create a More Inclusive, Self-Determined, Respectful World

Meeting Level: MR 5

- Applying Anti-Ableist Principles to Physical Activity Promotion in Physical Therapy Practice to Support Individuals with Disabilities

Meeting Level: MR 12

- Engaging Minoritized IDD Communities Through Inclusive Research Strategies

Meeting Level: MR 16

- Can We Apply FQoL Measures in a Developing Rural Community? Lessons Learned to Address Measurement Gaps

Meeting Level: MR 9

- Improving Title X Services for People with Disabilities in Rural Communities Through Community Based Participatory Research

Meeting Level: River Birch B

- A Collaborative Approach to Effective Autism Training for First Responders



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Meeting Level: MR 15

- Integrating Comprehensive Special Education Retention Planning Through a Multi-Tiered System of Supports

Meeting Level: MR 2

- Top 10 Disability News Stories of the Year: Impacts and Insights

Meeting Level: MR 13

- Building the Capacity of Community Rehabilitation Providers to Provide Employment Supports to People with Disabilities

Meeting Level: MR 14

4:00 PM – 5:15 PM — Poster Symposia 3A – Community Living and Supports; Emergency Preparedness; Employment, Housing, and Transportation; Transition

Ballroom Level: Anacostia E

4:00 PM – 5:15 PM — Poster Symposia 3B – Health, Wellness, Recreation and Related Issues

Ballroom Level: Anacostia F

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM — AUCD Awards Ceremony

Ballroom Level: Potomac Ballroom

7:00 PM+ — Dinner on your own



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## **Tuesday, November 5**

7:00 AM – 4:00 PM — Registration Open

Ballroom Level: Potomac Ballroom Foyer

7:15 AM – 8:15 AM — Trainee-Professional Networking Breakfast

Ballroom Level: Potomac 2

7:15 AM – 8:15 AM — Behind the Scenes and Highlights of AUCD's  
2025-2028 Strategic Plan

Meeting Level: River Birch A

7:30 AM – 8:30 AM — General Hosted Continental Breakfast

Ballroom Level: Potomac Ballroom Foyer

8:00 AM – 4:00 PM — Sensory Break Room

Meeting Room Level: Hickory

9:00 AM – 4:00 PM — Exhibitors Open

Ballroom Level: Rock Creek Ballroom

9:00 AM – 4:00 PM — AUCD Marketplace Open

Ballroom Level: Rock Creek Ballroom

8:30 AM – 10:00 AM — Leading Change Session – Creating a More  
Inclusive World Through Family Leadership and Engagement

Ballroom Level: Potomac 3



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8:30 AM – 10:00 AM — Leading Change Session – Stronger Together: Strategies, Opportunities, and Challenges for Inclusive Research

Ballroom Level: Potomac 1

10:00 AM – 10:15 AM — Poster Symposia Set-Up

Ballroom Level: Anacostia E & F

10:15 AM – 11:30 AM — Concurrent Sessions Group 4

- Addressing Social Challenges Facing Adults with Autism, Intellectual or Developmental Disabilities; Housing, Healthcare, and Employment

Meeting Level: MR 15

- Improving Accessibility of Health Education Efforts: An Adapted SNAP-Ed Program for Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

Meeting Level: MR 12

- Deconstructing Binaries in the Understanding of Autism

Meeting Level: MR 3

- Universal Design: Creating an Inclusive Learning Environment for All

Meeting Level: MR 2



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- **Stronger Together: Exploring the Intersection of Research and Lived Experience to Improve Health Equity for People with IDD**

Meeting Level: MR 4

- **Accessible Trainings with Local Voices**

Meeting Level: MR 8

- **Advancing Inclusive Research: A Learning Series to Empower Researchers with Lived Experience**

Meeting Level: MR 5

- **Helping Healthcare Trainees and Professionals Thrive - The Important Role of Hospital Ethics Committees as Educators**

Meeting Level: River Birch B

- **Stronger Together: Partnering to Create Better Resources for Transition to Adult Healthcare and Achieving Financial Literacy for Youth with Disabilities**

Meeting Level: MR 13

- **Indigenous Initiatives Across the AUCD Network**

Meeting Level: MR 16

- **Exposing Invisible Walls: Understanding Transition for Students with Disabilities and Undocumented Immigration Status**



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Meeting Level: MR 11

- **Numbers and Narratives: The Power of Storytelling in Disability Advocacy**

Meeting Level: MR 14

- **Expanding Ableism and Inclusion Curriculum within Medical Resident Clinical Rotation in Developmental Behavioral Pediatrics**

Meeting Level: MR 9

10:15 AM – 11:30 AM — Poster Symposia 4A – Education: Early Intervention/Early Education; Behavior Supports; Racial, Ethnic, and Cultural Diversity and Linguistic Competence

Ballroom Level: Anacostia E

10:15 AM – 11:30 AM — Poster Symposia 4B – Aging; Mental Health

Ballroom Level: Anacostia F

10:15 AM – 12:15 AM — “You. Sleep. Stay.” A New Documentary Film by David Grabias

Meeting Level: River Birch A

10:15 AM – 12:15 PM — NIRS Workshop for UCEDD Directors

Meeting Level: MR 10

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM — Lunch on your own





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11:45 AM – 12:30 PM — SIG Meeting: Family Support

Meeting Level: MR 4

11:45 AM – 12:30 PM — SIG Meeting: Postsecondary Education

Meeting Level: MR 16

11:45 AM – 12:30 PM — SIG Meeting: Disasters, Climate Adaptation,  
and Disability Inclusion

Meeting Level: MR 3

12:30 PM – 2:00 PM — National Training Directors Council (NTDC)  
Meeting

Ballroom Level: Potomac 3

12:30 PM – 2:00 PM — Council on Leadership in Advocacy (COLA)  
Meeting

Ballroom Level: Potomac 1

2:00 PM – 2:15 PM — Poster Symposia Set-Up

Ballroom Level: Anacostia E & F

2:15 PM – 3:30 PM — Concurrent Sessions Group 5

- De-Mystifying the PCORI Process: CER and Engagement Awards

Meeting Level: MR 16



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- **IDD-TRANSFORM: Centering IDD Voices in Health Research**  
Meeting Level: MR 2
- **Perspectives on Health Equity in Accessing Long-Term Services and Supports (LTSS) for Individuals with IDD**  
Meeting Level: MR 3
- **State of the States Data Ambassador Program: Data Literacy and Accessibility Training for Emerging Leaders**  
Meeting Level: River Birch B
- **Supporting Healthcare Access for Youth with Neurodevelopmental Disabilities**  
Meeting Level: MR 4
- **State Advocacy: How to Leverage Connections with Your State to Influence Change**  
Meeting Level: MR 5
- **The Role of UCEDDs in Inclusive Postsecondary Education and State Partnerships: Enhancing Higher Education for Students with Intellectual Disability**  
Meeting Level: River Birch A
- **Translational Science Seminar Series Disability as Diversity: Reducing Researcher Roadblocks (D2/R3)**



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Meeting Level: MR 12

- Creative Arts Therapy as a Resource for Mental Health Treatment and Community Building

Meeting Level: MR 13

- Building Bridges: Transforming Care for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs through Creative Partnerships in New York State

Meeting Level: MR 14

- Family Support: Practical Reasons and Tips For Effectively Partnering with Families Across the Lifespan

Meeting Level: MR 15

2:15 PM – 3:30 PM — Poster Symposia 5A – Arts, Media, and Culture; Criminal Justice/Victims Rights; Disability Studies; Engagement with Creative Partners; Ethics and Quality of Life; Surveillance and Epidemiological Efforts; Other Topics

Ballroom Level: Anacostia E

2:15 PM – 3:30 PM — Poster Symposia 5B – Advocacy; Parent/Family Involvement, Support, and Respite; Self-Determination and Self-Advocacy

Ballroom Level: Anacostia F



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3:30 PM – 4:00 PM — Afternoon Snack Break with Exhibitors

Ballroom Level: Rock Creek Ballroom

3:45 PM – 4:45 PM — SIG Meeting: Home and Community Based Services (HCBS)

Meeting Level: MR 4

3:45 PM – 4:45 PM — SIG Meeting: Aging

Meeting Level: MR 5

4:00 PM+ — Dinner on your own (*This concludes the in person portion of the AUCD 2024 Conference*)

## **Wednesday, November 6**

10:00 AM — Closing Plenary (Virtual) - *Virtual access will be provided to every in-person and virtual attendee*