



State Leaders Summit on Collaborative Service Delivery Models for Students Who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing

When/Where: April 28-29, 2005 (Prior to the CEASD Conference), Atlanta, Georgia

Purpose: To explore statewide options and solutions for service delivery models that improve student outcomes and that support high standards, full access, authentic peer interactions, and are communication driven.

Expected Outcomes:

1. State leaders will share information and gain knowledge about national trends in deaf education reform and various statewide service delivery models for DHH students that are utilized across the U.S.
2. State leader teams will engage in dialogue regarding challenges and solutions associated with these various models.
3. State leader teams will develop plans for how the information gained will be utilized in their respective states.

Target Participants:

Leadership Team from each state, including:

1. State Department of Education representative
2. State supported school for the deaf representative
3. Other stakeholders at the state's discretion – a parent representative is encouraged, especially one who represents a statewide parent organization for D/HH children

Methodology:

1. Tentative keynote speakers/topics:
 - Larry Siegel: Promoting Systemic Change in Deaf Education Service Delivery
 - Claire Bugen/Jay Innes: *The National Agenda*
 - Dennis Russell: Overview of Regional Programming
 - John Luckner: What Research tells us about Literacy Development
 - Gaylen Pugh, National Association of Directors of Special Education's Role
2. Invited presentations from states that have implemented statewide service delivery models
3. Facilitated small group discussion based on where states are in process of collaborative service delivery

Planning Committee:

Cheryl Johnson, Colorado Department of Education
Robert Hill, Nebraska Department of Education
Marilyn Jaitly-Kocher, Mountain Plains Regional Resource Center
Frank Nesbit, Georgia Department of Education
Ron Stern, Superintendent, New Mexico School for the Deaf
Leeanne Seaver, Hands & Voices National

Sponsors include: The Marion Downs Hearing Center, Mountain Plains Regional Resource Center, Gallaudet University Resource Center, Other affiliations are being solicited.

Registration information available January 2005 at [www. mprrc.edu](http://www.mprrc.edu)