

# National Certification for Educational Diagnosticians

August/September 2016

## **Celebrating NCED**

Introducing one of our new board members:

Dana Walker: M.Ed, NCED, TPED, is a new member of the NCED Board of Directors where she serves on the NCED Publicity Committee. Dana is a member of Council of Exceptional Children (CEC), Division for Communicative Disabilities and Deafness (DCDD), and Council for **Educational Diagnostic Services** (CEDS). Dana works for the Brazoria-Fort Bend Regional Day School Program for the Deaf where she has educated children with a variety of "Abilities" in all subject areas in grades ranging from Kindergarten to 8th grade. She is currently their **Educational Diagnostician and has** served in that position for the last 10 years. Dana has published work for Autism Speaks, written special education blogs and frequently trains parents of children with autism on the importance of safety in the home and

## Message from the Board

Well it is that time of year!! Schools are opening. It is a time of both joy and stress. The NCED Board wishes all of you a good start to the new school year. May you experience the joy of your very important work.

Your NCED Board will be working hard to improve the value of your credential. We are looking to expand not only in the states that have specific diagnostician certification but also those who do not. But we need your help to get the word out. Please share exam dates and locations. Also, let us know if there is a group of diagnosticians who are interested in taking the exam. If there is enough interest, we will arrange to administer the exam just about anywhere.

Your NCED Board has been working for the past year on updating our By Laws. Very soon the board will be sending out a copy of the revised By Laws. We ask that you review the new version and vote as to whether or not we should implement these changes.

#### Join us at the following conferences:

LEDA - October 6 & 7 Lafayette, LA

TEDA - October 10 & 11 Waco, TX

NJ ALC - October 20 & 21 Tinton Falls, NJ

NJEA – November 9 – 12 Atlantic City, NJ

#### **NCED Exam Dates and Locations:**

Layfayette, LA October 7, 2016

Waco, TX October 8, 2016

Atlantic City, NJ November 11, 2016

#### Reminder

Please check your certificate holder status on our website to ensure that your renewal fees are up to date. You have the option of renewing online using PayPal, which can be accessed after completing the renewal form or by downloading the renewal form and mailing it with your payment to the address listed on the form. The deadline to renew is January 31, 2017.



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# **CEU Opportunities:**

Application of Cognitive Hypothesis Testing: Using PSW Analysis

http://downloads.pearsonclinical.co m/videos/052016-Application-of-Cognitive-Hypothesis-Testing/Application-of-Cognitive-Hypotheses-Testing-Using-PSW-Analysis-052016.mp4

Using the Vineland - 3

http://downloads.pearsonclinical.co m/videos/071216-Vineland3/Usingthe-Vineland-3-on-Q-Global-071216.mp4

Why are executive functions important? How does working memory training affect them?

http://downloads.pearsonclinical.co m/videos/061416-Cogmed/Why-are-Executive-Functions-Important-Howdoes-WM-Training-Affect-Them-061416.mp4

The NCED Board offers information about these opportunities as options for professional growth only. This is not an endorsement of any product, practice or company.

Don't forget to enter your CEUs. It's easy, just go to:

http://ncedb.org/login.php?whichpage=CEU

# **Legislative Updates**

The *Office of Civil Rights* has released guidance regarding students with ADHD entitled *Know Your Rights: Students with ADHD.* Follow the link to learn more:

http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/dcl-know-rights-201607-504.pdf

Decisions in special education cases by the U.S. Supreme Court, Courts of Appeal, U.S. District Courts, and other noteworthy decisions.

http://www.wrightslaw.com/caselaw.htm

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