



**Community of Practice
for Supporting Families of Individuals
with Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities**

**Positive Behavioral Support Committee
*Community of Practice***

Chairpersons:

Pam Lyle

Peter Tolisano, Psy.D.

Draft Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: October 14, 2014 10:00am - 12:00pm

Location: Lucy Robbins Wells Library in Newington, CT

Present: Pam Lyle, Peter Tolisano, Jane Hampton-Smith, Kristen Wagner, Lisa Gelada, Tacie Lowe, Brian Reddy, Jessica Kremer.

Presenter:

Jane Hampton-Smith-Connecticut Parent Advocacy Center(C-PAC.) The following topics were discussed.

- The importance of measuring positive behavioral responses, not just challenging behaviors.
- Educational needs should be based on presentation and impact of the problem such as language, behaviors, and social reciprocity and not just diagnosis.
- Schools could use support around developing better functional behavioral assessments and crisis plans. Dr. Tolisano agreed to discuss this at SDE meeting on 10/31 regarding triennial testing.
- Tiers of CPAC and how information is obtained:
 - 1) Crisis and individual attention
 - 2) Individual training and consult
 - 3) Website for general information
- A primary issue for parents and families is getting the correct professional supports. This issue ties in with PBS stretch goal to develop a schematic of where to obtain PBS supports across the lifespan.
- Tacie Lowe spoke about reaching out to potential sponsors, such as IT resources. This seems like a worthwhile topic to explore.

Topics Discussed:

- How to best complete committee goals. Please see attached items which will give insight to PBS brochure.

Next Meeting:

November 18, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. Meeting will be held at Lucy Robbins Welles Library. 95 Cedar St. Newington, CT 06111.

