

One mission of OUB is to advocate for and educate blind persons. A crucial element of this goal is to help parents and teachers become more effective in the development of IEP's.

As a parent or educator, how do I integrate these into an IEP?

- Orientation & Mobility
- Independent Living Skills
- Recreation & Leisure
- Adequate Technology
- Braille and Tactile Skills
- Social Skills
- Self-Advocacy

Pat Howey is going to teach you how to integrate these into your child's *Individualized Education Program*.

Please visit the following websites to learn more about advocating for blind children:

www.campt.org

www.mpvi.org

www.nfbparents.tripod.com

www.wrightslaw.com

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Conference

Maximizing Outcomes For
A Blind Child's IEP

Conference Presenter
Patricia Howey

Friday March 23, 2007

Holiday Inn South
6820 S. Cedar
Lansing, MI
(517) 694-8123

Co-sponsored by:



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For More Information:
(517) 487-3923

CEUs available at registration for
additional charge



Registration deadline is:
Friday, March 09, 2007

Sign-up Form

Agenda

You will learn:

- how to assess your child's strengths and needs
- how to prepare a Parent Report for the IEP team
- how to build healthy working relationships with school personnel
- how to document information that may prevent or resolve disputes
- how to participate as an equal member of your child's IEP team

8:00-9:00 a.m. Registration & Continental Breakfast

9:00-10:30 a.m. Introductions
 Overview of Agenda
 Review of Applicable Sections of Reauthorized IDEA 2004
 Preparing for IEP Team Meetings - The Parent Report
 Taming the Paper Trail
 Present Levels of Academic Achievement
 Strengths, Challenges, Needs, Goals/Benchmarks
 Words of Advice to Parents and Schools

10:30-10:45 a.m. Break

10:45-12:00 p.m. Tests & Measurements & the Bell Curve Exam

12:00-1:00 p.m. Lunch

1:00-2:30 p.m. Playing the IEP Game
 Understanding the Power Structure
 The Art of Negotiation
 When the Answer is "No"
 The Rule of Threes
 The Delphi Technique

2:30-2:45 p.m. Break

2:45-4:00 p.m. The Gentle Art of Disagreeing
 The Four Parent Rights
 Why IEP Teams Disagree
 Why Disagreement is Healthy
 Both Sides Can be Right at the Same Time
 The Written Opinion - What, Who, Why, When, & How

4:00-4:30 p.m. Questions & Answers

Patricia Howey Advocate & Paralegal

Pat Howey is an advocate who has helped parents obtain special education services for their children with disabilities since 1986. She also helps parents resolve special education disputes with their school districts.

Pat has a B.A. in Paralegal Studies from Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College where she graduated with honors. She is an active member of the Council of Parent Attorneys and Advocates (COPAA). In 2004, the Learning Disabilities Association of Indiana honored Pat with its Outstanding Service Award for her commitment and compassion towards students with disabilities.

In From Emotions to Advocacy training programs (one day, 6 hours), parent advocate Pat Howey teaches you how to take an active role in managing your child's special education, the gentle art of disagreeing, and how to maintain healthy working relationships with the school.

		Price
<input type="checkbox"/>	Conference Attendance (including registration packet, meals and the book <i>Wrightslaw: From Emotions To Advocacy</i>)	\$100.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Two Parent Attendance (including registration packet, meals and the book <i>Wrightslaw: From Emotions To Advocacy</i>)	\$125.00
The following books will be referenced during the Conference & are for sale:		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wrightslaw: From Emotions To Advocacy (One copy included with registration)	\$19.95
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wrightslaw: Special Education Law 2 nd Ed.	\$29.95
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