2016-2017 PA-COP Webinar Series
Unlocking Potential: Promoting Strengths and Inspiring Success

October 26, 2016 (9:00 am – 11:00 am) EST
Strategies for Higher Education Success

This session will include strategies for preparing students to successfully attend and complete a post-secondary college or training program. Included in this session will be information regarding Pennsylvania specific programs designed to assist youth and young adults with disabilities in this process.

November 22, 2016 (9:00 am – 11:00 am) EST
Career Pathways

Career Pathways enable youth to choose a pathway that will prepare them for employment in the career cluster that best fits their interests and abilities. Youth can explore a range of career options by focusing attention on broad areas (pathways), rather than specific occupations. This session will present information regarding how Career Pathways are being implemented in Pennsylvania to assist students prepare for a specific career goal area.

December 7, 2016 (9:00 am – 11:00 am) EST
Models for Secondary Transition Success

Since the late 1980s there have been a number of research-based, effective practice models developed to assist in supporting youth and young adults with disabilities to successfully transition from school to adult life. This session will present an overview of the most effective secondary transition models along with related strategies and resources.

January 11, 2017 (9:00 am – 11:00 am) EST
Alignment of Accommodations & Supports

Assistive Technology (AT) is an essential component of the postsecondary transition planning process. Students may need AT to fully participate in the high school academic setting, community, post-secondary education or employment settings. Even if a student has been using AT within the school setting, the tools that s/he will need upon graduation may not be the same. Therefore, it is important to coordinate the specific needs of the tasks and settings in which the student will be working, training, learning, and/or living. This webinar will address how to best assess and align a student's accommodations and supports for post-secondary success.

February 8, 2017 (2:00 PM- 4:00 PM) EST
Pre-Employment Transition Services (PETS)

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) requires vocational rehabilitation (VR) agencies to set aside at least 15% of their federal funds to provide "pre-employment transition services" to "students with disabilities who are eligible or potentially eligible for VR services." During this webinar, offered in collaboration with the National Community of Practice on Secondary Transition, presenters from across the country will present examples of effective strategies, activities and resources that are currently being implemented in a variety of states to meet the five required pre-employment transition services areas.

March 16, 2017 (2:00 PM- 4:00 PM) EST
Career Preparation and Work-Based Learning

As part of the secondary transition process, youth and young adults learn to apply knowledge and skills in real life, real work, and real world situations. Work-based learning opportunities provide the gateway for post-secondary education and employment success. In this webinar offered in collaboration with the National Community of Practice on Secondary Transition, presenters from across the country will present examples of effective career preparation and work-based learning strategies, activities and resources.

April 26, 2017 (2:00 PM- 4:00 PM) EST
Youth Development and Youth Leadership

Self-determination and self-advocacy are keys to success for youth and young adults as they transition from high school to adult life. During this session, presented in collaboration with the National Community of Practice on Secondary Transition, information regarding resources and strategies to enhance inclusive youth engagement and leadership will be shared from a variety of presenters from across the country.

Presenters: National Community of Practice on Secondary Transition and Pennsylvania Community on Transition presenters

Audience: Stakeholders supporting post-school outcomes for youth and young adults with disabilities

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