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IAD Workshop Information:

**Connecting with Vocational Rehabilitation Services: Our Past, Present and Future**
*Presenter: Christina Pean*

*Presentation Summary:* The presentation will be about vocational services that are available to deaf people.

*Educational objectives:*
- Identify the services provided by DHS-DRS to vocational rehabilitation customers
- Understand how vital public support is for the continuation of services to persons who are deaf
- List the ways that the public can share input with DHS-DRS

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**DeafBlind Awareness**
*Presenters: John Filek and JoAnn Rushing*

*Presentation Summary:* Information about DeafBlind services and issues they face will be discussed.

*Educational Objectives:*
- Describe the diversity of the DeafBlind population and list at least three causes of deafblindness
- Identify 3-5 strategies regarding respectful interactions with a person who has combined hearing and vision loss
- Identify 3-5 services provided by Helen Keller National Center

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**An Update on IL LEAD-K**
*Presenters: Libby Oxenham and Anita Cervantes-Bowen*

*Presentation Summary:* The progress of the IL LEAD-K will be shared and the next steps will be discussed.

*Educational Objectives:*
- Restate the generic goal of LEAD-K
- Summarize what has been done with IL LEAD-K
- Determine if this is something they could advocate for or to get involved with.

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**State Mental Health System: Ensuring Access for Deaf, Hard of Hearing, DeafBlind and Late-Deafened**
*Presenter: Jessena Williams*

*Presentation Summary:* The presentation will be about the importance of mental health for Deaf people and how to access mental health services in Illinois.

*Educational Objectives:*
- Describe how to access mental health services in our state’s service system
- Identify the different types of mental health services that are provided to individuals and communities in our state
- Identify how to link to available resources for additional support and technical assistance when serving an individual with hearing loss
**ASL CARES (Hospice)**

**Presenters:** Sarah Wilson, Paul Pyers, Brandie Belford, and Tara Cook  
**Presentation Summary:** The huge need for support of Deaf people within the hospice system had led to the collaborative efforts to establish ASL CARES.  
**Educational Objectives:**
- Identify whether their area has a need for Deaf Volunteer Hospice Training and who they can contact for assistance.  
- Determine appropriate places to contact within their area to request hospice training.  
- Recognize the need for Deaf Volunteers for Hospice programs around the state of Illinois and sign up to work with us

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**25 Years of IDHHC: From Past to the Present, Reconnecting for a Stronger Collaboration Toward a Better Future**

**Presenter:** Benro Ogunyipe  
**Presentation Summary:** IDHHC will be presenting about the history of IDHHC, what they are doing now and how the Deaf community can be involved.  
**Educational Objectives:**
- Describe the historical context leading to the establishment of the IDHHC as a state agency  
- Identify IDHHC’s roles and responsibilities as a state agency, and its programs and services.  
- Describe ways to reconnect and collaboration with the diverse deaf, hard of hearing, and deafblind as well as interpreting communities in the post-pandemic era  
- Participate in the strategic planning process and provide input that will be incorporated into the organizational strategic plan and priorities

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**DHH Accessibility Features on iOS and Android Devices**

**Presenter:** Tina Childress  
**Presentation Summary:** Deaf-friendly accessible information that is available on iOS and Androids will be shared as well as other apps.  
**Educational Objectives:**
- Participants will know how to find the exact make, model and operating system version on their device.  
- Participants will be able to name two accessibility options on iOS.  
- Participants will be able to name two accessibility options on Android.