

## LEND Regional Consortia Activities

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	<b>Participating Programs</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>AK:</b> LEND Without Walls</li> <li>▪ <b>AZ:</b> The University of Arizona LEND (AZLEND)</li> <li>▪ <b>CA:</b> Children’s Hospital Los Angeles (CA-LEND)</li> <li>▪ <b>CA:</b> The Northern CA LEND Project</li> <li>▪ <b>CA:</b> University of California Los Angeles – UCR LEND (UC-LEND)</li> <li>▪ <b>CO:</b> JFK Partners LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>GU:</b> University of Guam UCEDD<sup>1</sup></li> <li>▪ <b>HI:</b> Hawaii LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>NV:</b> Nevada Center for Excellence in Disabilities LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>NM:</b> University of New Mexico LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>OR:</b> Institute on Development &amp; Disability LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>UT:</b> Utah Regional LEND (URLEND)<sup>2</sup></li> <li>▪ <b>WA:</b> University of Washington LEND Program</li> </ul>
	<b>Summary of Collaborative Activities</b>
	<p>Past collaborations include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AUCD Webinar 2015: PacWest Explores ePortfolio in LEND Training</li> <li>• PacWest Racial/Ethnic Diversity Trainee Focus Groups- 2 in person; 2 virtual (2014-15) (UT, NM led)</li> <li>• PacWest Racial/Ethnic Diversity Trainee Mentorship Project (2015-16) (UT, CO led)</li> <li>• AUCD 2015 Concurrent Session on Training Family Advocates</li> <li>• AUCD 2016 Poster Session: <i>Mentoring Future Leaders: Can we do it better?</i> AZ, NM, UT, NV</li> <li>• Focused Assistance to Support Training (FAST) Grant: Maximizing Leadership Potential in Racial and Ethnic Minority LEND Trainees (2017-18) – 7 PacWest programs</li> <li>• PacWest Trainee and Faculty exchanges (2011-present) - developed a process to evaluate the experience (2017)</li> </ul> <p>Proposed collaborative activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• &gt; 5 presentations/posters reflecting collaborative work such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Expanding understanding of Diverse MCH workforce through longitudinal LEND trainee mentorship project and peer to peer interactions</li> <li>○ Identifying LEND trainee needs toward understanding the role of genetics in ASD/DD</li> <li>○ Addressing Adverse Childhood Experiences in PacWest Region</li> <li>○ The ACA: Promising Models of Care to address Health Equity in PacWest Region</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Advancing Distance Technology from Trainees to Practice</li> <li>○ Promising Strategies to address emerging issues in ASD across the Life Course in Rural and Underserved Areas</li> <li>● &gt; 5 PacWest faculty/trainee exchanges and develop an evaluation to assess the impact of exchange experiences</li> <li>● Building on the PacWest Consortium Diversity QI project, implement recommendations based on focus group findings regarding the role of diverse mentorship</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#">Midwest Regional Consortium</a>  <b>Chair: Cindy Ellis (NE LEND - cellis@unmc.edu)</b></p>	<p><b>Participating Programs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>IA:</b> Iowa’s University Center for Excellence on Disabilities LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>KS:</b> Center for Child Health and Development LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>MO:</b> TIPS for Kids LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>NE:</b> Munroe-Meyer Institute for Genetics and Rehabilitation LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>PR:</b> Puerto Rico UCEDD/IDD<sup>3</sup></li> <li>▪ <b>SD:</b> Center for Disabilities LEND</li> </ul> <p><b>Summary of Collaborative Activities</b></p> <p>Past Collaborative Activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● First Midwest LEND meeting - April 29, 2002 in Sioux Falls, SD</li> <li>● Midwest LEND Consortium faculty and trainee meetings in 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2015, and 2016 in Omaha, NE</li> <li>● AUCD Quality Improvement Project: Developing and Delivering Curriculum for the Adult Learner Faculty Workshop – July 16-17, 2014 in Kansas City</li> <li>● Posters at AUCD Annual Conference in 2007 and 2015</li> <li>● Midwest LEND Consortium meetings at AUCD Annual Conferences and LEND Director meetings</li> <li>● Joint ADOS trainings</li> <li>● Midwest LEND Facebook page</li> <li>● Inclusion of Midwest UCEDDs into the “Midwest AUCD Consortium”</li> <li>● KU LEND hosted the Midwest LEND meeting in April in association with their annual Autism Across the Lifespan Conference the following day.</li> </ul> <p>Proposed Collaborative Activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Opportunities for trainee research dissemination across the network</li> <li>● Enhanced communication and collaboration through quarterly conference calls, webpage, Midwest LEND calendar, and social media</li> <li>● Hosting trainees from Midwest LEND programs with reduced registration fees for Consortium conferences and training events</li> <li>● Joint webinars and other training events</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#">Southern Regional Consortium</a></p>	<p><b>Participating Programs</b></p>

<p><b>Chair: David Deere (AR LEND - deere@uark.edu)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>AR:</b> Partners for Inclusive Communities LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>LA:</b> Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center Human Development Center LEND (Louisiana UCEDDERS)</li> <li>▪ <b>OK:</b> Oklahoma Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities (LEND)</li> <li>▪ <b>TX:</b> Lone Star LEND</li> </ul> <p><b>Summary of Collaborative Activities</b></p> <p>Past collaborations include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Southern LEND Regional Collaborative Seminar – Video Conference (2013)</li> <li>• Southern LEND Regional Collaborative Seminar – Video Conference (2014)</li> <li>• Southern LEND Regional Collaborative Seminar – Video Conference (2015)</li> <li>• Southern LEND Regional Collaborative Seminar - Video Conference (2016)</li> <li>• Southern LEND Regional Collaborative Seminar - Video Conference (2017)</li> <li>• Poster presentation about Southern Regional Collaborative made at AUCD Annual Meeting (2017)</li> <li>• Southern LEND Regional Collaborative Seminar – Video Conference (2018) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Individual states assigned LEND Core Principle to discuss in relation to case study: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Arkansas: Family-Centered and Person-Centered Services</li> <li>▪ Louisiana: Cultural Competence</li> <li>▪ Mississippi: Interdisciplinary Teaming</li> <li>▪ Texas: Inclusive Community-Based Practices</li> <li>▪ Oklahoma: Leadership/Advocacy</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>• Getting to Know a LEND - Joint activity to better understand each of the participating LEND programs (2018) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Encouraged interaction among regional trainees using electronic media. Oklahoma LEND served as activity coordinator</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Proposed collaborative activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Southern LEND Regional Collaborative Seminar – Video Conference (Spring 2019)</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>Great Lakes Regional Consortium</u></b>  <b>Chair: Amy Hewitt and Rebecca Dosch Brown (MN LEND - hewit005@umn.edu and dosch018@umn.edu)</b></p>	<p><b>Participating Programs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>IL:</b> University of Illinois LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>IN:</b> Riley Child Development Center LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>KY:</b> University of Kentucky UCEDD<sup>4</sup></li> <li>▪ <b>MI:</b> Michigan Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities (MI-LEND)</li> <li>▪ <b>MN:</b> Minnesota LEND (MNLEND)</li> <li>▪ <b>OH:</b> LEND Program at Cincinnati Children’s Hospital and the University of Cincinnati</li> <li>▪ <b>OH:</b> Nisonger Center LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>PR:</b> Puerto Rico UCEDD/IDD</li> <li>▪ <b>WI:</b> Waisman Center LEND</li> </ul> <p><b>Summary of Collaborative Activities</b></p> <p>Past collaborations include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2017 Joint book club reading <i>What Matters: Reflection on Disability, Community, and Love</i></li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Series of live virtual book discussions with author Janice Falka</li> <li>● Networking event among regional LEND Fellows conducted prior to Disability Policy Seminar</li> <li>● <i>Transitioning Together Effectiveness Study</i> collaborative partnership between Waisman Center LEND, MNLEND, and LEND Program at Cincinnati Children’s Hospital.</li> <li>● Spring 2019 - Great Lakes Regional cross-trainee event (MNLEND took lead) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Topic: Family-centered care and medical home, with an emphasis on health equity and rural access issues</li> <li>○ Development of both virtual and in-person accessible trainings for trainees with travel expense concerns (MNLEND took lead)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Proposed collaborative activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Great Lakes Regional Bi-annual Meetings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Emphasis on connecting trainee liaisons and exploring ways to connect trainees through a possible video library or directory</li> </ul> </li> <li>● 1-2-day retreat and/or quarterly conference calls. Discussion can center around jointly available free trainings</li> <li>● CARES 2019 Meeting activity</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#">Southeast Regional Consortium</a>  <b>Chair: Rob Christian (NC LEND - rob.christian@cidd.unc.edu)</b></p>	<p><b>Participating Programs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>AL:</b> Civitan International Research Center and Sparks Clinics LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>FL:</b> Mailman Center for Child Development LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>GA:</b> Center for Leadership in Disability LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>MS:</b> The University of Southern Mississippi Institute for Disability Studies UCEDD<sup>5</sup></li> <li>▪ <b>NC:</b> Carolina Institute for Developmental Disabilities LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>SC:</b> Center for Disability Resources LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>SC:</b> Medical University of South Carolina (SC LEND)</li> <li>▪ <b>TN:</b> Boling Center for Developmental Disabilities LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>TN:</b> Vanderbilt Consortium LEND</li> </ul> <p><b>Summary of Collaborative Activities</b></p> <p>Past collaborations include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Southeast Making Lifelong Connections Pilot Event in New Orleans</li> </ul> <p>Proposed collaborative activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 2018 – Fred Biasani is considering the possibility of the Southeastern LENDs joining an existing multi-program event in Birmingham next June</li> <li>● 2018 – Atlanta, Georgia welcomes all to annual lecture by David Satcher (December 6<sup>th</sup>)</li> <li>● 2019 – Anne Kinsman and Michelle Macias offered to host meeting in South Carolina</li> <li>● 2019 - South Carolina has extended an open invitation to programs to send people to the <i>Nurturing Developing Minds</i> conference February</li> <li>● 2020 – Toni Whitaker offered to host meeting in Memphis, Tennessee</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2021 – Rebecca Pretzel offered to host in North Carolina</li> <li>• 2022 –Tyler Reimschisel offered to host in Nashville, Tennessee</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#">Mid-Atlantic Regional Consortium</a>  <b>Chair: Nate Blum (CHOP LEND - BLUM@email.chop.edu)</b></p>	<p><b>Participating Programs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>DE:</b> Center for Disabilities Studies University of Delaware LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>MD:</b> Kennedy Krieger Institute LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>NJ:</b> The Boggs Center on Developmental Disabilities LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>PA:</b> Children’s Seashore House of the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>PA:</b> LEND Center of Pittsburgh</li> <li>▪ <b>VA:</b> Va-LEND (Virginia Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities)</li> <li>▪ <b>WV:</b> Center for Excellence in Disabilities (CED) LEND</li> </ul> <p><b>Summary of Collaborative Activities</b></p> <p>Past collaborations include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mid-Atlantic Collaborative Legislative Advocacy Training (November 2017) – hosted by Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia LEND <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Focused on providing trainees opportunities to develop &amp; deliver advocacy messages related to disability policy</li> </ul> </li> <li>• AUCD Annual Meeting – Regional gathering to discuss challenges of directing a LEND program and opportunities to share curricular materials and utilize distance learning technologies</li> <li>• “Twice Born” event – hosted by The Boggs Center on Developmental Disabilities LEND (March 2018) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Invitation sent to Mid-Atlantic Regional LENDs for participation</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Proposed collaborative activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Virtual networking meetings based on individual disciplines</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#">Northeast Regional Consortium</a>  <b>Chair: David Helm (ICI LEND - David.Helm@childrens.harvard.edu)</b></p>	<p><b>Participating Programs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>CT:</b> UConn Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>ME:</b> The Maine LEND Program</li> <li>▪ <b>MA:</b> Eunice Kennedy Shriver Center LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>MA:</b> Institute for Community Inclusion LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>NH:</b> NH-ME LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>NY:</b> Rose F. Kennedy Center LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>NY:</b> Westchester Institute for Human Development LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>NY:</b> Strong Center for Developmental Disabilities LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>PR:</b> Puerto Rico UCEDD/IDD</li> <li>▪ <b>RI:</b> Rhode Island LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>VT:</b> Vermont LEND</li> <li>▪ <b>VI:</b> University of the Virgin Islands UCEDD<sup>6</sup></li> </ul> <p><b>Summary of Collaborative Activities</b></p> <p>Past collaborations include:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Networking event among regional LEND Fellows conducted prior to Disability Policy Seminar (DPS) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Institute for Community Inclusion LEND and Eunice Kennedy Shriver Center LEND preparing for DPS 2018</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Northeast Collaborative Document Sharing via Dropbox (ex. Lecture materials on genetics). Rochester, New York LEND took lead</li> <li>• NH-ME LEND collaboration with new Maine LEND at The University of New England for joint sessions and guest lectures</li> <li>• Eunice Kennedy Shriver Center LEND collaboration with Alaska LEND and CHOP LEND on research projects</li> <li>• Regional LEND Conference – 5 or more LENDs participated, co-sponsored. Betsy Humphreys (NH-ME LEND) lead contact for the conference (May 14, 2018)</li> </ul> <p>Proposed collaborative activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leveraging faculty expertise across LENDs – possible local faculty guest lectures or sharing LEND students as visitors to other programs</li> </ul>
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<sup>1</sup>The Hawaii LEND has formal training partnerships with institutions in the U.S. Territory of Guam.

<sup>2</sup>The Utah Regional LEND, while hosted by the University of Utah School of Medicine-Department of Pediatrics and Utah State University-the Center for Persons with Disabilities, collaborates to offer training with partners at Brigham Young University (also in Utah) and in the neighboring states of Idaho, Montana, North Dakota and Wyoming.

<sup>3</sup>The Puerto Rico UCEDD has formal training partnerships with the Indiana LEND, Iowa LEND, and Westchester Institute for Human Development (NY) LEND programs.

<sup>4</sup>The LEND Program at Cincinnati Children's Hospital and the University of Cincinnati has a training presence in Kentucky.

<sup>5</sup>The Arkansas LEND collaborates with partners in Mississippi to offer training opportunities to individuals from the Institute for Disability Studies at the University of Southern Mississippi.

<sup>6</sup>The Virgin Islands UCEDD has formal training partnerships with the Vermont LEND and the Westchester Institute for Human Development (NY) LEND programs.