WELCOME

2017 UCEDD Directors Retreat

In the long history of humankind (and animal kind, too) those who learned to collaborate and improvise most effectively have prevailed. —Charles Darwin
Thank you!

- Directors Retreat Planning Committee
  - Bob Bacon
  - Marty Blair
  - Celia Feinstein
  - Bill Kiernan
  - Marcia Moriarta
  - Carol Salas Pagan
  - Deb Spitalnik
New UCEDD Directors

• Melanie Fried-Oken, PhD
  – OR-OHSU Co-Director

• Tom Sannicandro, JD
  – MA-ICI Director

• Jesse Suter, PhD
  – VT Interim Director, 7/1/17 - 6/30/18
New AUCD Staff

• John Tschida, Associate Executive Director for Research & Policy

• Denise Rozell, Policy Strategist
  – Think College National Coordinating Center

• Dorothy Garcia, Program Manager
  – UCEDD TA & Harkin Summit

• Jessica Drennan, Sr. Program Manager
  – UCEDD TA
• Strengthening Relationships with IDDRCs
• Responding to feedback received in check-in calls
  – More regular written updates from Board
  – Biweekly calls with network during period of rapid change
• Updating AUCD Strategic Map
• Working with Cathy Ficker Terrill to implement governance best practices
• Intentional efforts to increase diversity and cultural and linguistic competence on Board, with support from Tawara Goode
• Encourage staff efforts to pursue new, diverse funding sources for network, including gala

• Unrestricted revenues from gala—where does the money go?
  – Strengthen our policy, advocacy and communications capacity
    ▪ Liz Weintraub, Sara Luterman
  – Upgrade technology infrastructure for AUCD HQ, better positioning AUCD to support our network
  – No increase in member dues or Conference registration fees in 2016 or 2017
• More proactive AUCD fundraising is benefitting the network
  – AUCD central office staff has grown from 20 FTE to 28 FTE in last three years, while budget increased from $3M to $6M
  – PROMISE TA grant enabled AUCD to recruit Michael Gamel-McCormick, then John Tschida to AUCD, both invaluable resources for the network
  – FY16 included $1.4 million in sub-awards to network members, up from $0.9 million in 2015 and $0.5 million in 2014
  – New relationships with Walmart Foundation, Ford Foundation, JP Morgan Chase, Anthem, State Department, etc. all help us to be more resilient in a difficult political/budget climate, consistent with our strategic goals
QUESTIONS?
Conversation with David Hoppe
Have a Break
Successful Strategies

Moderator: Bob Bacon (IA)

Panelists: Danny Armstrong (FL)
            David Deere (AR)
            Patricia Osbourn (NM)
            Sachin Pavithran (UT)
Have a Break
Small Group Discussion

• Select topical table
• Experienced Directors – please spread out to share lessons from prior administration changes
• Newer Directors – please serve as conversation facilitators at each table
• Select notetaker & reporter for each table
• Completed notes can go to AUCD staff
Small Group Discussion

• In specific topic areas, consider:
  – How to engage current administration?
  – What are leverage points for administration?

• Guiding questions:
  – HOW to frame advocacy?
  – WHO to involve in advocacy strategy
  – HOW to avoid alienating policymakers?
  – WHAT can AUCD push for at national level?
  – What can you do at state/Territory level?
What are the big take-aways from small group discussions?

What will we do with these ideas?

*AUCD staff will collect, transcribe completed notes pages.*
Big Takeaways and Action Steps
6:30-8:30 pm

Reception in Capitol Room