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TO: School District Superintendents
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Intermediate Unit Executive Directors
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Charter School Chief Executive Officers
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Career and Technical Education Center Directors

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SUBJECT: Indicator 13: Successful Practices in Secondary Transition for Continuous Improvement

In response to the accountability requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act 2004, (IDEA) Part B State Performance Plans, the Pennsylvania Training and Technical Assistance Network (PaTTAN) and Intermediate Unit transition consultants will be providing sustained professional development for targeted local educational agencies (LEAs). The targeted professional development addresses the development of effective secondary transition programming for students with disabilities including: coordinated student, family, and agency involvement; implementation of activities and services for students ages 14-21; and writing coordinated, measurable, annual individualized education program goals that will reasonably enable students ages 14 and above to meet their postsecondary outcomes. The targeted professional development also addresses how secondary transition planning effects graduation and dropout rates for students with disabilities.

The requirements for each LEA assigned to the 2017-18 Indicator 13 training are as follows:

Develop an administrative team to support the targeted training and technical assistance process. The administrative team is required to attend a webinar on September 22, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The webinar will inform the administrative team of the training protocol and its requirements which differs from previous iterations of the Indicator 13 training process. The administrative team members will need to register in advance for this training through the PaTTAN website at www.pattan.net.

Assemble a local implementation team responsible for participating in all subsequent training sessions and addressing the requirements of the local training plan for the 2017-18 school year. Required team members must be transition coordinators and special education teachers who have students who are/may turn 14 years of age during the 2017-18 school year. The following personal are encouraged to also participate as members of the local implementation team: special education directors, building principal, speech language therapists, guidance counselors, school psychologists, other LEA staff involved in secondary programming, and career and technical education staff.

Lead contact person to complete an interview/survey regarding effective practices for secondary transition as facilitated by an intermediate unit and/or PaTTAN consultant.

For questions concerning the Indicator 13 training for 2017-18, please contact the following individuals at the PaTTAN-Pittsburgh location: Hillary Mangis, Educational Consultant, at 800.446.5607, extension 6878 or hmangis@pattan.net; or Michael Stoehr, Educational Consultant for Special Projects, at 800.446.5607, extension 6864 or mstoehr@pattan.net.

The following LEAs are assigned:

IU 1

Burgettstown Area SD
California Area SD
Fort Cherry SD
Frazier SD
McGuffey SD

IU 2

Pittsburgh SD (targeted schools)

IU 3

City CHS
Environmental CS at Frick Park
Hill House Passport Academy CS
Manchester Academic CS
Pennsylvania Distance Learning CS
South Fayette Township SD
Urban Pathways 6-12 CS
Westinghouse Arts Academy CS

IU 4

Butler Area SD
Farrell Area SD
Greenville Area SD
Grove City Area SD
Laurel SD
Shenango Area SD
South Butler County SD
Wilmington Area SD

IU 5

Fairview SD
Montessori Regional CS
Tidioute Community CS

IU 6

Clarion-Limestone Area SD
Forest Area SD
Keystone SD
Union SD

IU 7

Burrell SD
Kiski Area SD
Monessen City SD
Penn-Trafford SD
Yough SD

IU 8

Bellwood-Antis SD
Central PA Digital Learning Foundation CS
Richland SD
Rockwood Area SD
Salisbury-Elk Lick SD
Turkeyfoot Valley Area SD

IU 9

Oswayo Valley SD
Saint Marys Area SD

IU 10

Curwensville Area SD
Young Scholars of Central PA CS

IU 11

New Day Charter

IU 12

Chambersburg Area SD
Crispus Attucks Youthbuild CS
Dover Area SD
Gettysburg Montessori CS
Upper Adams SD
Waynesboro Area SD
York City SD
York Suburban SD

IU 13

Eastern Lancaster County SD
Hempfield SD
Manheim Township SD
Warwick SD

IU 14

Oley Valley SD
Tulpehocken Area SD

IU 15

Carlisle Area SD
Cumberland Valley SD
Fleetwood Area SD
Reach Cyber CS
South Middleton SD

IU 16

Central Columbia SD
Danville Area SD
Lewisburg Area SD
Milton Area SD
Shikellamy SD

IU 17

Jersey Shore Area SD
Towanda Area SD

IU 18

Hazleton Area SD
Lake-Lehman SD
Northwest Area SD
Pittston Area SD
Tunkhannock Area SD
Wyoming Area SD

IU 19

North Pocono SD
Wayne Highlands SD
Western Wayne SD

IU 20

Delaware Valley SD
East Stroudsburg Area SD
Lehigh Valley Dual Language CS
Northampton Area SD

IU 21

Executive Education Academy CS
Innovative Arts Academy CS
Northern Lehigh SD
Parkland SD
Southern Lehigh SD

IU 22

Central Bucks SD
Council Rock SD
Palisades SD

IU 23

Abington SD
Lower Moreland Township SD
Springfield Township SD
Upper Perkiomen SD

IU 24

Avon Grove SD
Great Valley SD
Oxford Area SD
Pennsylvania Leadership CS
West Chester Area SD

IU 25

Haverford Township SD
Rose Tree Media SD
Springfield SD

IU 26

KIPP DuBois CS
MAST Community CS
Mastery CS-Shoemaker Campus
Philadelphia Electrical & Tech CHS
Philadelphia Performing Arts CS
SD of Philadelphia (targeted schools)
TECH Freire CS

IU 27

Aliquippa SD
Lincoln Park Performing Arts CS
Riverside Beaver County SD
Western Beaver County SD

IU 28

Apollo-Ridge SD

IU 29

Blue Mountain SD
Pottsville Area SD