

COLORADO Department of Education

2025 SUMMER INSTITUTE ON DEAF-BLINDNESS AND SIGNIFICANT SUPPORT NEEDS

BEYOND THE MATRIX: ASSESSMENT TO IMPLEMENTATION FOR STUDENTS WITH COMPLEX COMMUNICATION NEEDS

Dates: June 9-10, 2025 **Time:** 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Register Now



Adams 12 Conference Center 1500 E. 128th Avenue, Thornton 80241

Questions? Contact Tanni Anthony:

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No Cost CDE and ACVREP credit will be offered

Featured Speaker:

Nancy Steele is an Educational Consultant, with expertise in children with significant disabilities. She was a Project Specialist for the National Center on Deaf-Blindness for 14 years. She served as the Lead on the Literacy Initiative, which included the development of the website "All Children Can Read." Nancy also worked on the Open Hands, and Open Access Intervener Modules. Join us for two full days, as teams will be given the opportunity to go through a comprehensive planning process and explore many resources. This is an opportunity to have valuable team discussions about their individual to collaboratively develop shared communication goals and establish which instructional strategies to target as they implement effective intervention.

Objectives:

- Understand the foundational components of building an effective intervention plan
- Explore resources found on the WV Communication Matrix Intervention Modules site
- Develop shared communication goals
- Develop a communication plan that the whole team will implement



Registration is limited to Colorado El/school-based professionals



Participants must attend both days of training.



We have limited funds for travel support. Priority will go to individuals coming from the farthest distances who meet the travel reimbursement criteria.