



## Weekly Memo

### Action Items

#### Notices of Proposed Rules

The following rule revisions are scheduled for the State Board of Education meeting on **May 13, 2020**. To view the final proposed rules and submit comments, go to <https://web02.fldoe.org/rules/>.

- Rule [6A-4.0172](#), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), Specialization Requirements for Certification in the Area of Hearing Impaired (Grades K-12) - Academic Class
- Rule [6A-6.0571](#), F.A.C., Career and Technical Education and Adult General Education Standards and Industry-Driven Benchmarks
- Rule [6A-6.0573](#), F.A.C., Industry Certification Process
- Rule [6A-10.0401](#), F.A.C., Gold Standard Career Pathways Articulation Agreements

#### Florida State Personnel Development Grant (FL SPDG)—Position Announcement

FL SPDG is seeking a learning and development facilitator through the University of South Florida (job opening ID #24879). The learning and development facilitator will provide technical assistance and support for implementing Check & Connect, a structured mentoring intervention, to district and school personnel in northern Florida. The application deadline is **April 17, 2020**. To view the job description and to apply, go to [https://gems.fastmail.usf.edu:4440/psp/gemspro-tam/EMPLOYEE/HRMS/c/HRS\\_HRAM\\_FL.HRS\\_CG\\_SEARCH\\_FL.GBL?Page=HRS\\_APP\\_JBPS\\_T\\_FL&Action=U&FOCUS=Applicant&SiteId=1&JobOpeningId=24879&PostingSeq=1](https://gems.fastmail.usf.edu:4440/psp/gemspro-tam/EMPLOYEE/HRMS/c/HRS_HRAM_FL.HRS_CG_SEARCH_FL.GBL?Page=HRS_APP_JBPS_T_FL&Action=U&FOCUS=Applicant&SiteId=1&JobOpeningId=24879&PostingSeq=1)

#### The Resource Materials and Technology Center for the Deaf/Hard of Hearing (RMTTC-D/HH) — Topical Virtual Office Hours

The RMTTC-D/HH is excited to offer topical virtual office hours during the week of **April 13-16, 2020**, including some evening hours. These one-hour facilitated sessions are designed for Florida professionals to collaborate, ask questions and to discuss topics related to delivering instruction to students who are deaf or hard of hearing in a virtual learning environment. For more information and to register, see the attached document or go to <https://www.rmtcdhh.org/events/>.

- Filename: RMTTC-DHH Topical Virtual Office Hours April 13-16

#### Telehealth Learning and Consultation (TLC) Tuesdays

The Mental Health Technology Transfer Center Network is sponsoring the Telehealth Learning and Consultation Tuesdays, a weekly online series, for providers who are unfamiliar with telehealth. Technology Transfer Center Network specialists devote the first segment of each hour-long session to a specific topic, then address questions submitted by participants. The

remaining topics are Telehealth Tools on **April 14, 2020**; Telehealth with Children and Adolescents on **April 21, 2020**; and Telehealth Troubleshooting on **April 28, 2020**. For more information, see the attached document. To register or access archived presentations, go to <https://mhttcnetwork.org/centers/mid-america-mhffc/telehealth-learning-and-consultation-tlc-tuesdays>

- Filename: TLC Tuesdays Flyer

### **Florida Instructional Materials Center for the Visually Impaired (FIMC-VI) Webinar—Brainstorming at the Virtual Water Cooler for Teachers of the Visually Impaired**

Chat with FIMC-VI staff and colleagues from around the state at the virtual water cooler (i.e., Zoom room), on **April 14, 2020**, from 10 to 11 a.m. ET. FIMC-VI will give an overview of our new Canvas Learning Management System and how it can be used to support your students and families. This is also the time to tell us what you have been doing to teach from a distance; what is working, what barriers you have encountered and how to make it better. This webinar will be recorded and archived for future viewing. Once registered, you will receive the link to the Zoom room. To register, go to [https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_TgpVzXHiTbyCy6cRE40IAA](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_TgpVzXHiTbyCy6cRE40IAA).

### **Hospital Homebound (HH) Contacts Virtual Meeting**

The HH Zoom meeting will be on **April 14, 2020**, from 9 to 11 a.m. ET. Contacts and HH teachers will have an opportunity to share and discuss ways to support HH students and their families as we move through the COVID-19 crisis. To register, go to [https://zoom.us/meeting/register/uJlvdu6upjsrcHcmtN89\\_jgMMi3xfL00cg](https://zoom.us/meeting/register/uJlvdu6upjsrcHcmtN89_jgMMi3xfL00cg).

### **Call for Teacher Experts for K-12 Civics and Government Standards Review**

The Florida Department of Education has issued the following memorandum regarding teacher experts for K-12 civics and government standards review. The online survey must be submitted by **April 27, 2020**, per the instructions in the memo. The memorandum may be viewed at <https://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-8866/dps-2020-44.pdf>.

## **Informational Items**

### **Tips for Families in Supporting Their Children with Disabilities in Virtual Formats**

FIN has created a new tip sheet to support families entitled, “Tips for Families in Supporting Their Children with Disabilities in Virtual Formats.” As a result of COVID-19, schools are moving to distance and virtual learning and families are being challenged to supervise educational activities at home. FIN has developed this tip sheet to assist families of students with disabilities in working with their children using a virtual format. The tip sheet is available in English, Spanish and Haitian Creole. To view the tip sheet in one of the available languages, see the following:

- English: <http://www.floridainclusionnetwork.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Parent-Virtual-Tips-SWD-Final-03.24.20.pdf>
- Spanish: <http://www.floridainclusionnetwork.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Family-Virtual-Tips-SWD-Spanish.-03.30.20.pdf>
- Haitian Creole: <http://www.floridainclusionnetwork.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Family-Virtual-Tips-SWD-Creole-03.30.20-1.pdf>

For additional tips and suggestions, contact your local FIN facilitator at <http://www.floridainclusionnetwork.com/meet-the-fin/>.

### **Paraprofessionals Supporting Students with Disabilities course**

The BEESS Portal to Professional Development Alternatives is offering the newly revised Paraprofessionals Supporting Students with Disabilities course. This non-credit course will provide paraprofessionals with critical information related to their roles and responsibilities, special education and the law, understanding of disabilities served under IDEA, Florida models of support in special education, the IEP process, student and behavioral challenges, and how to support the instructional process. For more information, go to <https://fl-pda.org>.

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# RMTC-D/HH

Resource Materials and Technology Center for the Deaf/Hard of Hearing

Automatic  
Registration Link

## Topical Virtual Office Hours

<https://fsdbk12.zoom.us/join/9192744689>



<https://bit.ly/34daSBz>

Do you have questions on how to support students who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing in a virtual setting? Come join us and others across the state during our open office hours to collaborate and share what has been successful and what continues to be a challenge.

We will be addressing different topics throughout the week to support all of our Florida stakeholders.



Teams

**4/13/2020**  
**Monday**

10:00 - 11:00 AM (EST):  
Microsoft Teams with  
Students who are D/HH  
*Candace McIntire and  
Randi Mitchell, FSDB*

2:00 - 3:00 PM (EST):  
Auto Captions  
in a Virtual  
Environment  
*Scott Walsh*

**4/14/2020**  
**Tuesday**

8:00 - 9:00 AM (EST):  
Virtual  
Whiteboards  
*Cara Wilmot*

12:00 - 1:00 PM (EST):  
Immersive Reader  
and Partner Apps  
*Sherry Conrad and  
Randi Mitchell, FSDB*

**4/15/2020**  
**Wednesday**

10:00 - 11:00 AM (EST):  
Flipgrid for Students  
who are D/HH  
*Scott Walsh and  
Randi Mitchell, FSDB*

2:00 - 3:00 PM (EST):  
Fairview in a Virtual  
Presentation  
*Cara Wilmot*

**4/16/2020**  
**Thursday**

8:00 - 9:00 AM (EST):  
Expanded Skills for  
Students who are  
D/HH  
*Cara Wilmot*

12:00 - 1:00 PM (EST):  
Wakelet for Students  
who are D/HH  
*Sherry Conrad and  
Randi Mitchell, FSDB*

**Evening Hours**

\* 7:30 - 8:30 PM  
(EST)\*

Tuesday  
4/14/2020  
App Smashing in  
Virtual Instruction  
*Sherry Conrad*

Thursday  
4/16/2020  
Expanded Skills  
for Students who  
are D/HH  
*Sherry Conrad*

Note: If you've already attended one of our open office hours, you can rejoin any future open office hours with the same link. Re-registering is not required.

# TELEHEALTH LEARNING & CONSULTATION (TLC) TUESDAYS

▶ 9-10 a.m. MT / 10-11 a.m. CT

**Telehealth Learning and Consultation (TLC) Tuesdays** is a weekly online series for providers who are unfamiliar with telehealth.

Our Technology Transfer Center (TTC) Network specialists will devote the first 20 minutes of each hourlong session to a specific topic, then address questions submitted by TTC Tuesday registrants.

Recordings of the 20-minute presentations as well as additional resources will be posted online.

Certificates of completion are available.

<https://bit.ly/TLCtues> ◀



## DATES & TOPICS

**March 31:** Telehealth Basics

**April 7:** Telehealth Billing

**April 14:** Telehealth Tools

**April 21:** Telehealth with  
Children and Adolescents

**April 28:** Telehealth  
Troubleshooting

**SAMHSA**  
Substance Abuse and Mental Health  
Services Administration