

Event: Assisting Students Struggling with Reading: Response to Intervention (RtI) and Multi-Tier Intervention in the Primary Grades: Bridging the Gap between Research and Practice

Location: Rutgers University, Douglass College Campus, Traves Hall

Date: January 20, 2010

Agenda:

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM: Registration/Check-in

9:00 AM – 9:30 AM: Working Breakfast

*Facilitated by **Hilda Rosario**, NJ State Coordinator, REL Mid-Atlantic & REL Mid-Atlantic LESSs*

During this session, participants, in small groups, will review the IES levels of evidence used within the practice guides and describe the kinds of research that count as strong, moderate and low evidence; identifying specific examples.

9:30 AM – 9:50 AM: Welcome

*Dean **Richard De Lisi**, Rutgers Graduate School of Education*

9:50 AM – 10:00 AM: What Works Clearinghouse Overview

***Hilda Rosario**, NJ State Coordinator, REL Mid-Atlantic*

10:00 AM – 10:30 AM: Practice Guide Review

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Self directed review of the recommendations in the *Assisting Students Struggling with Reading: Response to Intervention (RtI) and Multi-Tier Intervention in the Primary Grades* practice guide.

10:30 AM – 10:45 AM: Break

10:45 AM – 12:15 AM: Assisting Students Struggling with Reading: Response to Intervention (RtI) and Multi-Tier Intervention in the Primary Grades

***Russell Gersten**, Instructional Research Group*

***Joseph Dimino**, Instructional Research Group*

12:15 PM – 1:00 PM: Small Group Discussion (Working Lunch)

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Review the IES Practice Guide following the protocol titled: IES Practice Guides.

This protocol is designed to provide participants with a guided overview of the Practice Guide format and structure as well as providing an opportunity to review portions of the Practice Guide referenced in the preceding presentation.

1:00 PM – 1:15 PM: Address from NJDOE

***Willa Spicer**, Deputy Commissioner, NJ DOE*

Willa Spicer will directly address the representatives from New Jersey's schools in need of improvement, emphasizing the importance of research based practice.

1:15PM – 2:00 PM: Small Group Discussion

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In small groups, facilitators will engage participants in discussions relative to the recommendations from the practice guide and panel discussions, help the participants understand the value of the research-based recommendations, and share their experiences and concerns related to the implementation of the recommendations. This will provide time to think about and share the values and concerns of the recommendations and consider individual strategies to implement the practice guide's recommendations in their own practice.

2:00 PM – 3:00 PM: Large Group Presentations/Discussion

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In a full group session, the small groups from the working lunch will present the salient points of their discussions as LESs record the points on chart paper and facilitate additional discussion between groups.

3:00 PM – 3:30 PM: Wrap up & Next Steps

***Claudia Burzichelli**, Senior Partner, REL Mid-Atlantic*