

# Supporting College Enrollment and Completion for Students With Disabilities

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# Agenda

- Welcome, event orientation, and speaker introductions
- REL Southwest study: *College Enrollment and Completion Among High School Graduates With Disabilities*
- Question-and-answer session
- PROGRESS Center at the American Institutes for Research: Supporting students with disabilities to transition to and succeed in postsecondary education
- Panel presentation and facilitated discussion: Four-Year Comprehensive Transition Programs for Students With Disabilities
- Question-and-answer session
- Thank you and conclusion

# Meet the presenters



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# Meet the panelists



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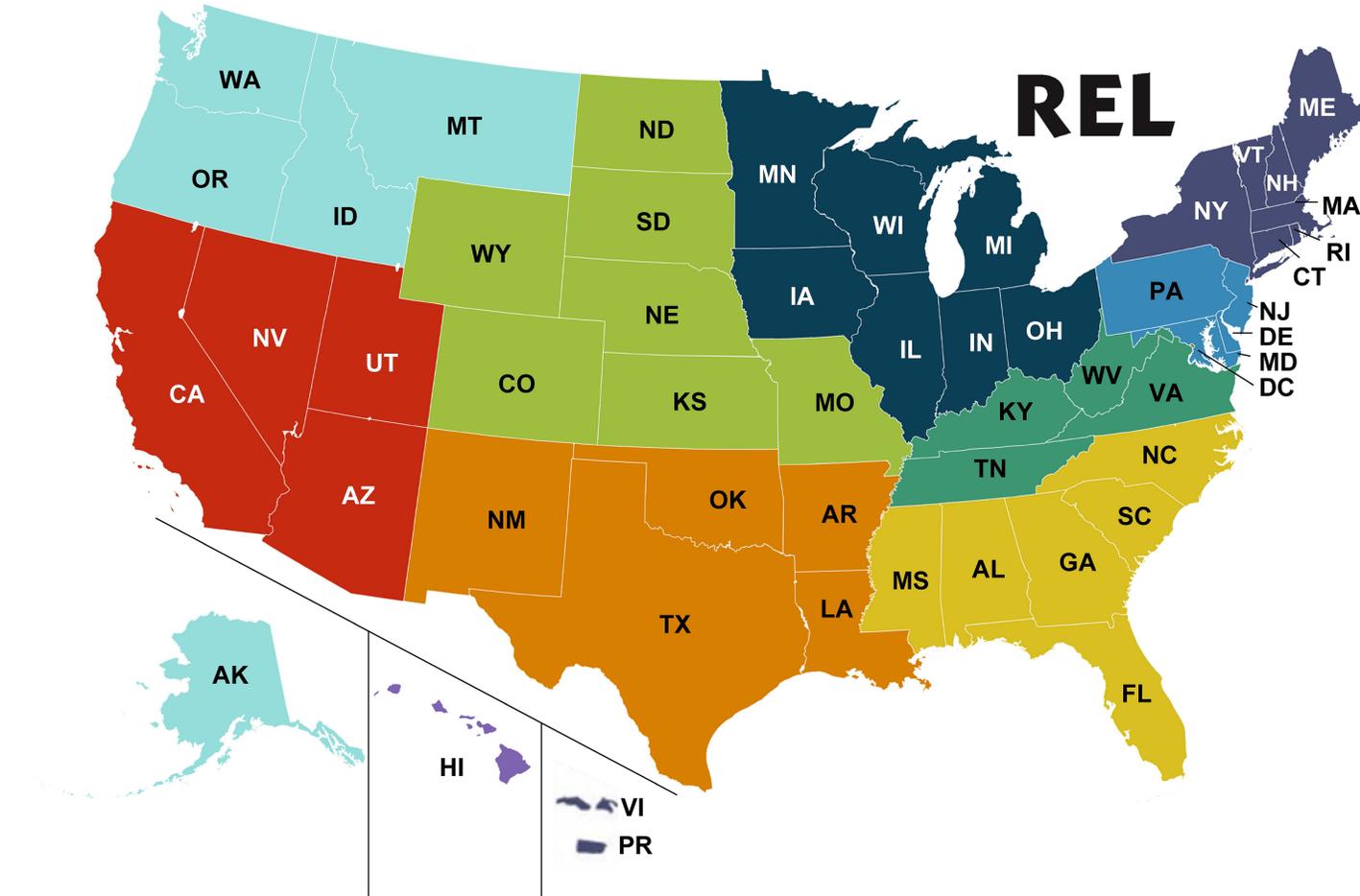


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# Webinar outcomes

- Understand and plan to apply the findings from the REL Southwest report to help improve the adequacy of outreach and services to students with disabilities.
- Understand the importance of designing targeted programs and services to support transition to postsecondary and college enrollment and completion among students with disabilities.
- Hear about examples of programs at four-year universities designed to support students with disabilities and how these programs are responding to challenges from the COVID-19 pandemic.

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