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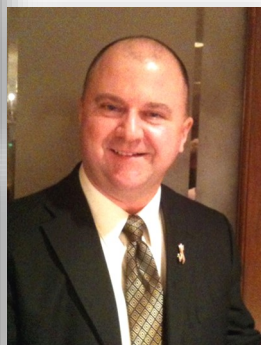
NADD 36TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE & EXHIBIT SHOW

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Parading Through Life: Celebrating Resilience, Joy and Wellness...Letting the Good Times Roll in New Orleans

The executive directors of the DD Network partners have been selected to present a poster, "The ADA and Higher Education," at the NADD 36th Annual Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana in October 2019. This presentation will highlight the ADA trainings offered by the DD Network and provide an overview of emerging topics associated with ADA-related accommodations in colleges and universities.

For more information about NADD and the annual conference, please visit <http://thenadd.org/>.



Pictured on left: Executive directors Dr. Rebekah Young, Polly Tribble, and Charles Hughes

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DD Network Partners at Work!

DD Network partners hosted the second annual “**Coordinating ADA Accommodations in Higher Education Training**” in August 2019. Training sessions were offered in Cleveland and Gulfport. Thirty-one professionals participated in this no-cost opportunity to learn more about providing appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities in colleges and universities across our state. Following the training sessions, participants were asked to provide input for topics and logistics for future ADA related trainings by completing a brief online survey.



DD Network partners also hosted three **Community Conversations** in August 2019. Hosted in Southaven, Gulfport, and Vicksburg, these activities brought members of local communities together to discuss priority disability-related issues, speak with advocates, and interact with local and state disability service and resource organizations. Seventy-five community members participated in these Community Conversations. Three priority issues identified during the Community Conversations included 1) accessible after school care for children with disabilities, 2) advocacy and assistance for IEPs, and 3) availability and accessibility of resources.

