AGENDA
December 2, 2013
10:00 am – 5:00 pm

9:30 – 10:00 am   Registration
   • Allow at 10 minutes to register at the security desk for entrance into the building.

10:00 – 10:30 am  Welcome
   • Dr. Fred Balcom, Director of Special Education, California Department of Education

10:30 – 12:00 pm   Aligning the Individualized Education Program to the Common Core State Standards
   • Kevin Schaeffer, Senior Program Associate, WestEd

12:00 – 1:00 pm   Lunch (on your own)

1:00 – 2:45 pm   Featured Presentation
   Walk Through the WIKI: Resources for Educators on How to Modify Curriculum and Instruction for Students with Disabilities
   • Sarah Kennedy, Technical Assistance Specialist University of Kentucky/National Centers

Sarah Kennedy comes to us from the Inclusive Large Scale Standards and Assessment Group, Interdisciplinary Human Development Institute, at the University of Kentucky. Ms. Kennedy was Coordinator of Kentucky’s Alternate Assessment from 1992-1998. She has assisted numerous states in standards refinement, alternate assessment development, and training teachers on best practices for instructing students with moderate to severe cognitive disabilities on grade level standards. She is also nationally recognized for her research publications on alternate assessments.

2:45 – 3:00 pm   Break (Note: We will start promptly at 3:00 pm)
3:00 – 4:00 pm  Assessment Update: Assembly Bill 484, Smarter Balanced Field Tests and Accommodations and Accessibility and the National Center and State Collaborative
  - Diane Hernandez, Director of the Assessment Development and Administration Division, California Department of Education
  - Dr. Kristen Brown, Education, Research and Evaluation Consultant, Special Education Division, California Department of Education

4:00 – 4:15 pm  Break (Note: We will start promptly at 4:15 pm)

4:15–5:00  Overall Symposium Questions and Answer Panel
  - Diane Hernandez, Director of the Assessment Development and Administration Division, California Department of Education
  - Dr. Kristen Brown, Education Research and Evaluation Consultant, Special Education Division, California Department of Education
  - Kevin Schaeffer, Senior Program Associate at WestEd
  - Meredith Cathcart, Administrator I, Special Education Division, California Department of Education