



## **NFI Program Committee – Quality Assurance Advisory Council**

### **Minutes from Conference Call Meeting , 12 April, 2017**

*Note: There were no QAAC Call Meetings in February or March, 2017*

**Present:** Joy Browne, Deborah Buehler, Heidelise Als, Karen Smith,  
Kathy VandenBerg

**Not present:** Grace Basso, gretchen Lawhon

#### **Topic: Minutes:**

*The Minutes from the QAAC Meeting Call, 25 January 2017 were reviewed and adopted. The final Minutes have been sent to Sandra Kosta for web posting.*

#### **Topic: Feedback from NIDCAP Training Documents**

*Heidelise Als received feedback from NIDCAP Trainers on the edited and newly created additional NIDCAP Training documents that she presented at the 2016 Bologna NIDCAP Trainers Meeting in the course of the session on Nurturing the Trainer.*

**Action:** *H. Als will integrate the feedback and present the results to the QAAC for approval by the July 2017 QAAC Call. The target date for their upload and release is the 2017 Edmonton NIDCAP Trainers Meeting.*

#### **Topic: Addressing Challenges for NIDCAP Professionals**

*A discussion ensued about revisiting challenges for NIDCAP Professionals and how best to report them. The development of a new survey was discussed in order to obtain information regarding the supports that NIDAP Professionals would welcome. To the 2016 Trainers*

*Meeting Session invitation for topics 71 of 430 NFI members (several of whom have multiple e-mail addresses) responded.*

**Action:** *It was decided that a call for topics of interest for discussion, in preparation for the Edmonton Trainers Meeting, should go out again.*

**Topic: Opportunities for NIDCAP Trainers**

*The question was discussed in how we might inspire NIDCAP Trainers to move to the level of NIDCAP Master Trainer. A suggestion was to create a survey that solicits from NIDCAP Trainers pertinent information. Karen Smith will take on creating a set of questions to begin. It also was suggested to develop a one-on-one or small group trust-based regular conference call or ZOOM communication framework that pairs a Trainer or several Trainers with a Master Trainer for discussion, exploration and guidance. Joy Browne agreed to share her experience in how best to begin this process,*

*The next QAAC conference call will take place on **Wed. May 10, 2017 at 1500 EDT.***

*Date, 12 April, 2017  
Minutes prepared by Kathy VandenBerg.*