

AAIDD Interest Network Annual Plan & Yearly Report

Planning and reporting on Interest Network activities designed to fulfil their purpose.
(See the AAIDD *Interest Networks Leadership Manual* for the purpose of the Interest Networks.)

Interest Network:	Multi-Cultural Concerns
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Next Scheduled Election & Leadership Position(s) that will be Open for Nomination:	May 2025 -Marketing Lead
2023-2024 Report	<p>For the year that just ended (July 1-June 30), indicate objectives met, activities completed, and funds used. In addition, please note if/how any activities enhanced diversity, equity, inclusion, or justice.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Establish an Executive Committee, consisting of an Interest Network Chair, a Vice-Chair, and a secretary. Neither the Vice-Chair or the Secretary position is currently filled but will be sought. Vice Chair position was filled by - Sharon Coutryer Secretary position was filled by -Sehrish Shikarpurya sshikar@umd.edu• Hold the Interest Group’s next leadership election. (NA)• Consider the possibility of renaming the Interest Group to reflect changing ideas about culture and pluralism. New name was discussed during 4 monthly meeting with a proposed name Cultural Diversity• Email members at least quarterly with information of interest to multicultural concerns. Members were emailed and invited to attend monthly meetings. Eight meetings were held. <p>Following are the citations for the articles we discussed in the Multi-Cultural Concerns Special Interest group meetings:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Rivera-Figueroa, Karla, Marfo, Nana Yaa A. & Eigsti, Inge-Marie. (2022). Parental perceptions of Autism Spectrum Disorder In Latinx and Black Sociocultural Contexts: A systematic review. <i>American Journal on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities</i>, 127, 42-63.2. Safer-Lichtenstein, Jonathan, McIntyre, Laura Lee, Rodriguez, Geovanna, Gomez, Sougla, Puerta, Stephani & Neece, Cameron L. (2023). Feasibility and acceptability of Spanish-language parenting interventions for young children with developmental delays. <i>Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities</i>, 61, 307-325.3. Wu, Yi-Chen, Qian, Xueqin, Lee, Seunghee, Johnson, David R. & Thurlow, Martha L. (2024). Postschool goal expectations for youth with intellectual and developmental disabilities. <i>American Journal on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities</i>. 129, 151-168.

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5. Lahti-Anderson, Lynda, Kardell, Yoshiko, Hall, Sarah, Magana, Sandra, Reynolds, Michelle & Cordova, Jeanette. (2024), A research agenda to support families of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities with intersectional identities, 62, 162-173.
6. Larson, Sheryl A., Caldwell, Joseph, Robinson, Gregory & Oteman, Quinn. (2024), Housing and long-term services and supports for people with intellectual or developmental disabilities from racially and culturally minoritized communities, *Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities*, 62, 200-210.

- Reach out to all AAIDD members to provide information on this Interest Group to broaden membership.

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- Determine funds on hand/discuss expenditures.

During our meeting it was decided that two merit awards of \$100 plus one meal ticket Of \$50 be awarded and that SECP manage the selection process.

- Develop an agenda and hold an annual business meeting at the annual conference of the AAIDD.

Agenda was developed and an annual business meeting was scheduled.

- Submit an annual report and action plan to the AAIDD Board of Directors.
- Meetings of the Multicultural Concerns Executive Committee held virtually at least 6 times during the year.

The Multicultural Concerns Executive Committee held virtual meetings the last Friday of each month.

2024-2025 Plan: Goals, Objectives, Activities, and Strategies

For the **coming year** (July 1-June 30), describe the planned objectives, activities, and proposed expenditure of funds. In addition, please note if/how any activities will address diversity, equity, inclusion, or justice.

1. Monthly committee meetings, inviting all members of IN and sending out agenda and meeting minutes to keep members informed.
2. Continue to pursue renaming the Interest Group to reflect changing ideas about culture and pluralism and develop rationale to present to the Board for approval of name change.
3. Continued focus on current research around Multicultural concerns with article discussions during the IN meetings
4. Provide a forum for authors of manuscripts chosen to present and lead discussion amongst our membership group
5. Establish partnerships with other interest groups for collaboration on similar topics (ex. families, faith and spirituality, policy, psychology, community etc.)
6. Funds will be utilized to award conference scholarships and/or memberships
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8. Develop an agenda and hold an annual business meeting at the annual conference of the AAIDD.
9. Submit an annual report and action plan to the AAIDD Board of Directors.
10. Meetings of the Multicultural Concerns Executive Committee held virtually at least 4 times during year