

Maine Association of School Psychologists

Maine's New SLD Identification Regulations: Guidance on Implementation

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Presenters:

Ruth Crowell, provides psychological services through Multi-Disciplinary Educational Services, LLC, an independent group practice, and also to RSU #14, Windham-Raymond Schools. She has been providing school based psychological services in Maine for over 35 years. She received advanced training in School Neuropsychology, earning her Diplomate from the American Board of School Neuropsychology. Ruth has been active in the Maine Association of School Psychologists as former chair of the Government and Public Relations Committee. In this capacity she worked with the DOE to revise state criteria and procedures for identifying students with a Specific Learning Disability along with other regulations, including the most recent SLD revision. Ruth has also worked with NASP as the Maine Delegate for the past 6 years. Ruth helped write previous and current Clinical Guidance on Implementation for the Identification of Students Suspected of having a Specific Learning Disability.

Susan Holinger is a certified School Psychologist - Specialist and a Licensed Psychological Examiner in the State of Maine and is currently a School Psychologist in RSU 38. Susan serves as a liaison from MASP to the Maine Administrators of Services for Children with Disabilities (MADSEC). She also serves as the chair of MASP's Professional Standards Committee. Susan was the 2015 Maine School Psychologist of the Year. Susan helped write previous and current Clinical Guidance on Implementation for the Identification of Students Suspected of having a Specific Learning Disability.



Registration:

Name:

Address:

Email Address:

Tuition

Tuition Includes: handouts, continental breakfast, lunch, & afternoon refreshments

MASP Member = \$50

MASP Non Member = \$80

Student = \$25

Payment or Purchase Order **must** accompany registration. Payments for Purchase Orders must be received by the day of the conference. Registrations are due September 8th. **No registrations after September 13th.**

Register online or mail registration to:

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Schedule

Registration: 8:30

Workshop: 9:00 to 12:00

Lunch: 12:00 to 1:00

Workshop: 1:00 to 3:00

Workshop Description:

During this workshop we will familiarize participants with Maine's new SLD Identification regulations and the accompanying identification form. MASP has developed clinical guidance for completing the form. We will present the Guidance for each question on the form in detail with a particular focus on assessing patterns of strength and weakness. In the afternoon, participants will have the opportunity to practice using the SLD Form and Clinical Guidance document through case examples. There will be ample opportunity for questions and discussion.

Learning Objectives:

Participants will be able to:

- Develop a thorough understanding of Maine's new SLD Regulations
- Become familiar with the New SLD Evaluation Report Form
- Learn to identify patterns of strengths and weaknesses
- Practice using the new SLD criteria with sample cases

Lisa Backman looks forward to beginning her eighteenth year in providing school psychological services to RSU 14-Windham-Raymond Schools. In addition to the typical school psychological services, she has been a Response to Intervention/ Student Assistance Team member, facilitator, and consultant for four of the district schools. Lisa has also taught and developed on-line course for St. Joseph's College since 2002. Specifically, she has provided instruction on-line and on-campus for the Measurement and Evaluation, Educational Psychology, and Exceptional Student Assessment courses. Lisa has recently been invited to collaborate on the current Clinical Guidance on Implementation for the Identification of Students Suspected of having a Specific Learning Disability.

CE Hours: The Maine Association of School Psychologists is approved by the National Association of School Psychologists and the Maine Board of Examiners of Psychologists to sponsor continuing education (CE) for psychologists. In keeping with requirements, CE is awarded in contact hours only and is awarded at the close of the day. This workshop will provide 5 contact hours.

Potential participants include: school psychologists, special education directors, special education consultants and teachers, guidance counselors, and social workers.

Accommodations:

Persons with physical disabilities who need accommodations should contact MASP at maineasp@gmail.com for assistance as soon as possible so that accommodations can be arranged.

Cancellation Policy

If you need to cancel, you must submit written notification to MASP at least 10 days in advance for a full refund. **Cancellations with less than 10 days notice will receive a refund less the cost of food (typically \$50) and a \$25 processing fee.** Please email your request to maineasp@gmail.com.

Directions

From the North: Take I-295 South to Exit 22. Take a right off the exit. Follow 1/2 mile to stop light. The Harraseeket Inn will be directly in front of you.

From the South: Take I-95 North to Exit 52 Falmouth. Go through the tollbooth and take the exit for I-295 North. Take Exit 22. Take a left off the exit. Follow 1/2 mile to the stop light. The Harraseeket Inn will be directly in front of you.