



# Announcement

## College of Direct Support (CDS) Disability Intensive Courses and ODP-Developed Tutorials Now Available

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**Audience:** CDS learners, Administrators and Sub-administrators who are associated with Pennsylvania's Office of Developmental Programs (ODP).

**Background and Purpose:** To announce newly offered CDS courses and ODP-developed CDS tutorials.

### **ODP-Developed CDS Tutorials Now Available**

ODP has developed two tutorials to assist registered CDS Administrators and learners in Pennsylvania to use CDS's features.

**Lesson Self-Enrollment Tutorial:** Registered learners in CDS can self-enroll to take lessons of their choice. This tutorial walks learners through the self-enrollment process.

**Module Reports Tutorial:** CDS Administrators and Sub-administrators have the ability to run reports to track lesson completion and other aspects of CDS use within their organizations. The "Module Report" tutorial shows CDS Administrators and Sub-administrators how to run one such report.

Both of these tutorials can be viewed by going to either:

- [www.odpconsulting.net](http://www.odpconsulting.net) and clicking on the "College of Direct Support" link under "Related Websites" or
- Through any of the ODP Information Centers by clicking the "College of Direct Supports" link under "ODP Web Links" on the home page.

## **CDS Disability Intensive Courses Now Available**

Disability Intensive Courses are specialized courses within the CDS Curriculum that focus on specific disabilities or conditions. Each Disability Intensive Course consists of one longer lesson instead of multiple lessons. Because of the length of each course, the Office of Developmental Programs has approved each Disability Intensive Course for **two (2) hours** of professional development credit.

The three currently available Disability Intensive Courses are:

- Autism and Autism Spectrum Disorders
- Cerebral Palsy
- Depression

Each Disability Intensive Course includes a set of “Written Exercises” that will help learners continue their studies of the disability or condition and the role the learner can have in supporting individuals more fully. CDS Administrators can choose to offer additional professional development training credit for completion of these exercises.

If you have forgotten your CDS username and password or do not have one, contact your local CDS Administrator. For additional CDS technical support, contact [cdssupport@tiull.org](mailto:cdssupport@tiull.org).