Wizdom Education Presents TOTAL Project Status and Attends IARF/ICAN Transition Summit

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The Team reported that over the past year of the project:
Â· More kids presented themselves at IEP meetings and directed their own IEP Meetings
Â· More meetings were held in which Transition was the focus
Â· More teachers were informed of T as presented in the law
Â· More Teachers and kids worked together to do student directed Transition Planning
Â· More teachers were informed of service providers to whom they could direct their students

IARF/ICAN is the Illinois Association of Rehabilitation Facilities/Illinois Communities in Action Now, Inc. This event was their 29th Annual Conference & Trade Show and their second with the Transition Summit.

A goal of the TOTAL Project is to train in the four core Transition best practice areas, which have been determined as:
1. Understanding and Meeting State and Federal Transition Mandates,
2. Person-Centered Transition Planning,
3. Promoting Student Self Determination,
4. Transition as the Centerpiece of the Individualized Education Plan.

The Wizdom TransPlanner helps students with disabilities, their parents, and case managers effectively plan the transition from school to life after graduation. Via the internet/intranet through all phases of transition planning, TransPlanner automatically develops active Individual Transition Plans (ITP) for students with disabilities. The Illinois Continuous Improvement Plan for Special Education, which TOTAL supports, places great emphasis on secondary transition outcomes for students with disabilities, including increased rates of graduation, employment and enrollment in post-secondary education or training.

Â· This conference allowed the Team to showcase and test our ideas in public,Â· said Philip J. Vitkus,
Wizdom Director of Instructional Services. "We could not be more pleased with the reception."

Niles NTDSE 807 is a school district that has a history of providing excellent transition services and establishing a network among community service providers. Wizdom is pleased to help NTDSE 807 to the next level, ensuring effective and efficient transition planning, resulting in the best post-high school outcomes possible for the students NTDSE 807 serves.

About Wizdom Education:
Wizdom Education is a Division of Wizdom Systems, a Naperville, Illinois based company that has been providing government and corporate clients with business process reengineering, instructional design, and special education software and services since 1986. Wizdom's special education products and services include:

- LiveIEP! - An IEP program that puts the power of the web into the hands of the IEP Team and allows work without depending upon network availability.
- TransPlanner!, helps the IEP Team bridge the gap that often exists between schools and community service providers.
- EducationLive! a web service that allows school and community service providers to self maintain and broadcast their specific services to the public and to their school and community customers automatically.

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