A World of Waldo: Teaching Students with Cortical Vision Impairment (CVI) February 28, 12:00 – 1:00 and 3:00 – 4:00

Skill Level: Introductory

Imagine navigating this great big world, or even just your home, feeling extremely overwhelmed because to you, your environment is too complex. Welcome to the everyday life of a child (or adult) with Cortical Vision Impairment. Allow me to take you on a journey through the eyes and mind of a child with CVI as we learn to navigate the roads and ropes of teaching and/or working with a child with this specific condition. Are you ready to search for Waldo?



Presenter: Ashley Mauceri, B.S., Teacher for the Blind and Visually Impaired (TBVI), Botetourt County and Franklin County Pubic Schools



Ashley serves as the Teacher for the Blind and Visually Impaired (TBVI) for Botetourt County and Franklin County Public School systems. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from Bluefield State College with her endorsement in Blind and Visually Impaired from Marshall University. Ashley is currently concluding her studies for her Master's as well as furthering her coursework to receive additional licensure as a teacher for the deaf and/or hard of hearing. Prior to her move to Roanoke, she served as a TBVI at the West Virginia School for the Blind in Romney,

West Virginia, where she received additional training in Cortical Vision Impairment from a CVI National Mentor. Ashley is extremely passionate about her field of work and tries her best to use her exuberance to make learning Braille or anything about her profession exciting.

Preparing for the Real World March 1, 2018, 12:00 – 1:00 and 3:00 – 4:00

Skill Level: Introductory/Intermediate

Join us for a fast-paced discussion of assistive technology to ease the transition from high school to post-secondary or employment environments. Many transitioning young adults struggle with time management, reading, note taking, and stress management. We will share tools and strategies we have found to be successful with this age group.

Presenters: Carrie Clawson, OT/L, ATP, and Patti Drescher, M.Ed., OT, APT, are Occupational Therapists and Assistive Technology Specialists with the Department of Aging and Rehab Services.



Carrie Clawson, OT/L, ATP, is an Occupational Therapist and Assistive Technology Specialist with the Department of Aging and Rehab Services. She developed the Handheld Technology Program that is now being used across the Commonwealth of Virginia.



Patti Drescher, M. Ed., OT, ATP, is an Occupational Therapist and Assistive Technology Specialist with the Department for Aging and Rehab Services. She previously provided AT services in the schools for many years and co-authored the ASNAT manual (Assessing Students' Needs for Assistive Technology), www.wati.org.

