



Learning and Reflection Forum 3
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Forum 3 – Disability Through a Cultural Lens
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Forum Description

To respond effectively to cultural and linguistic differences among people with IDD, we must first have a shared understanding of what culture is *and* what culture is not. Culture influences every aspect of life and defines who we are as humans (Goode, Jones, & Christopher, 2016). Culture influences the perception and experience of disability. This forum will use a cultural lens to explore the multiple beliefs and views about IDD. The forum will also examine what it takes to lead services and supports when cultural beliefs and views of IDD conflict.

Forum Objectives

Participants will:

1. Define culture and cultural diversity.
2. Explore the concept of multiple cultural identities.
3. Describe the convergence of cultural contexts that impact people with disabilities and their families.
4. Discuss culturally-defined values and practices that may differ between service providers and people with disabilities and their families.
5. Reflect on the leadership implications of disability services and supports through a cultural lens.