



MEMO

To: NAPE Professional Development Participants
From: Mimi Lufkin, CEO
Re: 2010 Professional Development Institute

It is time to begin your preparations for attending the National Alliance for Partnerships in Equity's annual professional development institute (PDI). This year the PDI will be held April 12-15, 2010 at the Double Tree Hotel in Arlington, VA, just over the Potomac River from our nation's capitol. The conference continues to be one of the premier professional development events for equity professionals and this year's program contains some very special learning opportunities. You will be able to:

- Dialogue with federal policy makers about how public policy affects your state and local education and workforce development programs
- Learn from a plethora of experts on topics such as increasing the participation of women in STEM careers, implementing best practices for ensuring the success of special population students, designing nontraditional programs of study that lead to postsecondary transition, creating pathways out of poverty through the green economy, and MORE!
- Tour local programs where innovations are leading to increased success for special population students
- Network with equity professionals from all over the country with whom you can share best practices
- Join a professional learning community where you can continue learning throughout the year
- Participate in the beginning of a series of visioning activities to create a new future for equity in education and workforce development

During this time of shrinking resources and the need to be more efficient in the ways that programs are delivered, your participation at the NAPE PDI will give you tools and resources to help you fulfill your professional mission at home.

For more information on the 2010 NAPE PDI go to www.napequity.org. On the conference website you can find the program agenda, hotel information, online registration, and other information to help you plan your visit with us.

We look forward to seeing you in Arlington, VA April 12-15, 2010.