

New Affinity Group

CEEDAR is Offering a New Affinity Group Practice-Based Learning Opportunities

First Meeting: September 29, 2021, 2-3pm Eastern

This Affinity Group (AG) will explore practice-based learning opportunities (PLOs) as a model for supporting teacher educators' use of high-leverage practices (HLPs) and evidence-based practices (EBPs). PLOs afford educators opportunities to apply content knowledge and pedagogy in coursework, professional development workshops, and authentic classroom situations. Interactive meetings will explore topics such as practice and the role it plays in teacher learning; practice-based learning opportunities, such as structured video analysis, simulated interactions, microteaching; strategies for connecting simulated practice opportunities with authentic practice opportunities; and strategies for developing prerequisite knowledge for candidates and teachers.



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What is a CEEDAR Affinity Group? Affinity Groups (AGs) are created to respond to common needs across states. AGs focus on one topic and provide a forum to learn about strategies being implemented as well as an opportunity for participants to engage in cross-state conversations specifically related to sharing successes and supporting challenges across contexts.

How do Affinity Groups meet? AGs convene via Zoom for approximately one hour monthly for six months.

Who can attend? Current CEEDAR Technical Assistant Participants and people from their agencies, members of TED and members of AACTE.

How do I sign up? If you are a CEEDAR Technical Assistance participant, sign up in the NIC at ceedarnic.org. If not, you can register at bit.ly/PLO-ag. For questions and support contact Nichole Spalding at nspalding@ufl.edu.