Poster Presentation

TDB Models: Making the Role of Teachers for Students with DeafBlindness Work for Your District

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Presenter Information

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Presentation Abstract

This poster will explain in detail the roles and responsibilities of a Teacher for Students with DeafBlindness (TDB) and how their role differs from that of the TVI and TDHH in meeting the unique needs of a student with DeafBlindness. We will discuss how student needs drive the development and execution of the TDB model in each district.