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Branagh Information Group to Present Two Workshops on Using the Environment Rating Scales in Teacher Training Programs

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Branagh Information Group's Cody Carlton along with Richard Latham of Trident Technical College will present two workshops, at **The NACCTEP Journey into the Future Conference** in Anaheim, CA:

- **Equipping Teachers: Using the Environment Rating Scales in Teacher Training Programs**
Friday, February 28, 2014, from 5:00-7:00pm in Grand Ballroom H
This workshop will provide information on how the *Environment Rating Scales* can be used in teacher training programs at the two- and four-year college levels. New online modules will be demonstrated that encourage the use of the Scales in teacher training programs. Attendees will learn how the Scales support and promote children's play. Participants will be actively engaged and challenged as they are exposed to new information, ask questions and participate in discussion related to the uses of the Scales.
- **An In-Depth Look at the Online Introductory Training Courses on the Environment Rating Scales & How They Can Be Used as a Virtual Textbook in Your Courses**
Saturday, March 1, 2014 from 9:45-10:45am in Grand Ballroom J
This session will provide participants with an opportunity to learn more about these new online courses and the benefits of using them in early childhood teacher preparation programs. Each attendee will receive complimentary access to ERS 101 and ECERS-R 101.

Please join Cody and Richard at NACCTEP on Friday and Saturday, February 28th and March 1st. To register for the conferences, visit http://nacctep.riosalado.edu/Conferences/2014_Anaheim/Index.html.

About the Presenters

Cody Carlton, E-Learning Director, Branagh Information Group

Cody has more than 18 years of training experience in both corporate and educational settings. In his current position with Branagh Information Group, he oversees the development of online training courses for the Environment Rating Scales in collaboration with the Environment Rating Scales Institute (ERSI). Cody has presented at the NAEYC Annual Conference and various other conferences for each of the last 5 years with the authors of the Environment Rating Scales.

Richard Latham, Program Manager for Child and Youth Studies Department, Trident Technical College

Richard has woven the Environment Rating Scales into several courses in the early childhood program and has begun using the online training courses as a virtual textbook for students preparing for their field experience. Additionally, he has presented numerous presentations at early childhood conferences.

About Branagh Information Group

The Branagh Information Group (BIG) has extensive experience building innovative research and program monitoring database applications. Our data systems are geared toward early childhood evaluation and quality rating improvement systems. BIG creates customized solutions for early child initiatives that can include online training, mobile assessments and quality rating and analysis. For more information, please visit www.BranaghGroup.com.