

## Kennedy Krieger Institute

# Social Media, Online Learning and Networking for Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities: Risks and Safety Strategies



**Dr. Mary Jo Krile, PhD**, is a Professor of Special Education at Eastern Kentucky University. She has many years of experience in teaching students with disabilities in the public and postsecondary education settings, including teaching digital literacy to young adults with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities (I/DD) enrolled in a postsecondary education program. Dr. Krile's research is dedicated to promoting social media use and safety, as well as digital literacy skills for young adults with I/DD. [Click](#) to read the presenter's full bio.

**Date:** Thursday, June 3, 2021

**Time:** 9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

**Where:** Live Interactive Webinar

Registered participants will receive an e-mail with instructions on how to join the session.

**Objectives:** Participants will be able to:

1. Identify the benefits and risks of individuals with I/DD using online platforms.
2. Discuss strategies to use when teaching online platform use and cyber safety skills to individuals with I/DD.
3. Describe the concept of netiquette, how it applies to individuals with I/DD, and how to assist individuals with I/DD with building these skills.

*While social media and internet use are ubiquitous, the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic dramatically increased society's reliance on these platforms. As individuals quickly turned to these platforms to learn, work, connect with others, and find information, individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities (I/DD) experienced difficulty and exclusion. The largest contributing factors to these experiences were those of the lack of instructional strategies for teaching individuals with I/DD online platform use and concerns for cyber safety. This webinar presentation will consist of interactive case studies that provide: (a) information pertaining to the benefits and risks of individuals with I/DD using online platforms; (b) strategies for teaching individuals with I/DD online platform use and cyber safety skills; and (c) information and strategies pertaining to netiquette. **Instructional Level:** Intermediate*

**Who Should Attend?** Psychologists, Social workers, Counselors, Educators, Faith leaders, Parents and Caregivers, Nurses, Clinical and Medical Staff, Direct Support Professionals and other Community Service Providers, Speech/Physical/Occupational therapists, Students/Trainees

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