

January 2014

Dear OH CFR Listserv Members:

On behalf of the advisory board, I would like to wish all of you a happy new year! This email will update you on postponement of the half-day conference at BGSU, and several job opportunities.

❑ **February conference at BGSU postponed indefinitely**

BGSU will be unable to host the OH CFR conference originally planned for Feb. 29, 2014. Therefore we are cancelling that date and place for the conference. At our December advisory board meeting we discussed possibilities for hosting/co-hosting a conference in 2014 or whether to put our efforts into planning a conference for 2015 but no final decision was made. If you have any suggestions as to professional organizations with which we can partner, topics or locations for an OH CFR conference, please email them to me (arkraynak@aol.com).

❑ **Job Opportunities**

Part-time Family Information Specialist for the Ohio Center for Deafblind Education is a grant-funded position awarded to the University of Dayton's School of Education and Health Sciences Grant Center. <https://jobs.udayton.edu/postings/10868> . Posted in December.

Provide support for parents of children with vision and hearing loss in the form of training coordination, information sharing through electronic communication, consultation, active participation with parent networks, marketing at community events and other necessary activities upon request. The Family Information Specialist will work with families of children who are deaf/blind across Ohio, working from the project's home base in/around centrally located Dublin, Ohio.

Please **check OSU Extension** for possible job openings at the various county offices. Several were listed in December in the Akron Beacon Journal.

❑ **CFLE Exam info regarding eligibility & application process:**

<http://www.ncfr.org/cfle-certification/become-certified/exam-application-process>

Testing dates for computer-based testing	Submission deadline for provisional or full certification	
March 10 - 29, 2014	Feb. 14, 2014	
July 14 - August 2, 2014	June 20, 2014	
November 4 - 22, 2014	October 10, 2014	

Locations in OHIO

Chillicothe	Ohio	United States
Columbus	Ohio	United States
Marietta	Ohio	United States
Orrville	Ohio	United States
Ravenna	Ohio	United States
Toledo	Ohio	United States

IN-PERSON: At the [2014 NCFR Annual Conference](#): Baltimore, Maryland.
 Wednesday, November 19, 2014; Time: TBA

- ❑ Because one of the advisory board goals has been to increase membership numbers, we are keeping track of our numbers. OH CFR has 116 NCFR/OH CFR members as of December 2013. Of that total, 31 are student members, 9 are new professionals, 4 are benefactors, and 3 are emeriti. Our members are affiliated with OSU, OU, BGSU, KSU, Miami of Ohio, Ashland Univ, Mt. Union Univ. and even Kansas State U. as well as undisclosed agencies/organizations.
- ❑ Maureen Blankemeyer, Secretary-Treasurer, and I will be submitting the annual report to NCFR regarding membership numbers, financial transactions, advisory board member updates, and 501(c)3 information by January 31, 2014. Attached is a list of the current advisory board members should you need to contact any of us.
- ❑ Just a reminder that if your email address changes, please notify NCFR so that our listserv is up to date.