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## **Speakers:**

Mark C. Francis is the co-founder and CEO of Francis-Young International-Consultants in School Improvement (FYI-CSI) and has over 30 years experience as a clinician and an administrator. He has been a member of Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) for 30 years and has served as President for the Michigan chapter; Midwest Member Rep for National CEC Division of Autism & Developmental Disabilities (DADD) and is the current President-Elect and past Treasurer for National CEC Division of International Special Education & Services.





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Vicky G. Spencer holds a doctorate in special education and a minor in literacy. She is also a certified Educational Diagnostician and a Board Certified Behaviour Analyst. She has more than 25 years of experience in the USA as a classroom teacher, university professor, disability specialist, teacher trainer, and parent consultant, and is currently the President of the Council for Exceptional Children's Division of International Special Education

and Services (DISES). She has also worked with the Virginia Department of Education in the Training and Technical Assistance Center as a specialist in autism and literacy. Areas of research include cognitive learning strategies, inclusive practices, transition, and behaviour management for students with mild to moderate disabilities.

Alice Farling holds a Doctorate in Education Leadership from Vanderbijlt University, a master's in Special Education from Northern Illinois University and an MBA from University of Chicago. She is the acting immediate past president of the board of the DISES. Alice also leads professional wellness and leadership retreats and has been a member of the faculty for the Aspiring Special Education Leadership Academy sponsored by George Mason University and the Virginia State Board of Education for the past ten years.



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