


2025 CDE ORIENTATION & MOBILITY SEMINAR

 **Adams 12 Conference Center**
1500 E. 128th Avenue
Thornton, CO 80241

Date: April 24-25, 2025

Time: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Registration is limited to Colorado O&M Specialist or O&M Specialist-in-university training who reside in Colorado.

Day One Topic: **Tactile Graphics for Colorado O&M Specialist**

Tactile graphics are especially important in helping students who are blind or visually impaired to develop O&M skills. We will discuss the foundational skills and strategies that students must use to successfully read and apply the information in a tactile graphic.

Day Two Morning Topic: **Orientation & Mobility for Students with Extensive Support Needs**

Students with visual impairment and additional disabilities are often the most challenging students on a caseload. This workshop will help you better understand this population and how to serve them. We will discuss the characteristics of students with learning disabilities, intellectual disabilities, autism, and traumatic brain injury, along with specific ideas for instruction. A case study of a complex student will provide concrete examples of how to put the ideas into practice and the positive impact of instruction.

Requirements to Receive Credit

- Must attend both days of training
- Write a graduate-level application paper.

Fifteen (15) CDE contact hours and
One (1) UNC grad semester hour will be offered

For more information or questions about
the seminar contact Tanni Anthony at
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Day Two Afternoon Topic: **Cane to Canine: Getting Ready for a Guide Dog**

The O&M and guide dog domains have become more closely connected over recent years. As O&M skills are fundamental for guide dog travel, O&M specialists play a crucial role in identifying and preparing potential guide dog travelers. Instruction in this area, however, is often only a small part of an O&M instructor preparation program. This workshop will help practitioners better understand what guide dogs do, who makes a good candidate for a guide dog, and what skills to work on with a client to help them be ready to work with a guide dog. Attendees will leave with specific lesson ideas, resources for O&M guide dog preparation courses nationwide, and hands-on practice with Juno (i.e., simulated guide dog travel).

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Registration is open until April 10, 2025