Social Media & EHDI: Examining social media's influence toward early intervention

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About us – our EHDI Journey

- How we met
- Our Social and Professional Identities;
 where we parallel and converge
- Our current passion(s) for EHDI
- What we look forward to in our EHDI Journey

Learning Objectives

- 1. Participants will be able to understand the role of social media toward the complexities of EHDI efforts,
- 2. Participants will be able to identify key social media resources available to parents of deaf children,
- 3. Participants will be able to learn strategies to use social media as a positive lever toward EHDI work
- 4. Being vulnerable and uncomfortable leads toward progress; Here not to create divisions, but identify triggers that cause divisions

Social Constructions & Ideology: The power and influence of Social Media

- Brief introduction toward Social Construction Theory & Ideology
- Socio-history of Social Media
- The power of Social Media in shaping normalcy
- Examples of Social Media's influence on humankind and normalcy
- Can you think of examples how Social Media influenced you (in general)?

Historical & current analysis of Social Media toward EHDI

- Bettie's research on the power of Social Media toward EI
- Examples of Social Media on EHDI
 - Use of ChatGPT
 - Viral videos of the baby hearing for the first time
- Identity formation of deafness: Loss v. Gain through the eyes of the child and parent
 - The Greatest Irony

In Summary

- Leveraging Social Media within EHDI for good
- Using data-driven findings and learning the perspectives from various experiences to provide holistic understanding and support system for deaf babies