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**The Essential Role of Cultural and Linguistic Competence in  
Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Supports and Services**

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**Cultural competence and linguistic competence are widely recognized as fundamental aspects of quality in health care, mental health care, and other human services. Cultural competence and linguistic competence are viewed as essential approaches to respond to diversity, reduce disparities, and promote equity.**

**While many in health and human services embrace and practice these concepts, those within the Intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) space have been much slower to incorporate them in their values, policies, and practices. This virtual presentation is designed to explore the conceptual frameworks of cultural competence and linguistic competence, and examine their relevance for the IDD workforce in the Pennsylvania Metropolitan Area.**

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