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## MEMORANDUM NO. 2019-086

**TO:** School District Superintendents  
Special Education Directors  
Curriculum Directors

**FROM:** Shelley Hamel, Chief Academic Officer

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**SUBJECT:** NCII Spotlights Wyoming SPED Work

# NCII SPOTLIGHTS WYOMING SPED DATA-BASED INDIVIDUALIZATION WORK

The Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) was recently featured by the National Center on Intensive Intervention (NCII) for its work in building capacity of educators to implement data-based individualization (DBI). DBI is a research-based process for individualizing and intensifying interventions through the systematic use of assessment data, validated interventions, and research-based adaptation strategies. It is designed to improve academic and behavior outcomes for students with disabilities. The WDE selected the DBI process to drive the improvement work of the State Systemic Improvement Plan.

During the 2018-19 school year, the WDE worked closely with Laramie County School District #1, the Campbell County Child Development Center in Gillette, and STRIDE Learning Center in Cheyenne. The WDE provided training, follow-up coaching, and assisted each partnering agency in developing their own internal coaching cadre.

This [video](#) discusses the work being accomplished on the ground, and highlights the tremendous efforts of all involved. The WDE will support this program again in 2019-20, with the expectation to expand the project to other selected sites.

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