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Date: November 15, 2003  
To: All Faculty  
From: Noni Threinen, Director  
Subject: News

***Mark your calendars for this Thursday, November 20<sup>th</sup>  
2003 IUPUI Assessment Institute Report: Ideas, Insights and Innovations  
Time: Noon – 1PM  
Where: L3  
Who: Mary Berg, Susan Schoenheider and Noni Threinen***

The 2003 Assessment Institute at Indianapolis University presents the latest developments in assessment from experts throughout the country. Many of the schools at the conference started where we are now and have made great strides over time in using assessment principles and practices to improve student learning. When faculty members understand more about the process and tools available, they can use what they already know and do more effectively. They can build on their teaching experiences and gather information to make meaningful changes that they determine to be necessary and appropriate. Please join us as we share what we learned.

***Now we know...Thanks to Mark Schader and Emily Tweed  
Follow-up to November 6<sup>th</sup> Brown Bag Presentation***

Many thanks to Mark Schader, and Emily Tweed who presented the answer to the question, "Our Students - Who are they?" Their brown bag presentation on November 6<sup>th</sup> was one of the best attended events so far. Both presenters gave us information on our new generation of students, complete with video interviews. Some of the information presented is available on the CTLA web site, linked from the calendar or list of brown bag presentations. Though homemade chocolate chip cookies were served, great attendance was credited to the topic and presenters. Thanks to all who participated.

***University Assessment Program***

The University Assessment Committee (UAC) continues to meet periodically to lead the assessment process throughout the University. Recently, each school program has taken the lead to implement their own versions of evaluation for "Effective Communication" within the context of their specific criteria. Members of the committee are available to answer questions for anyone who wants to know more about the process.

### ***First UAC Board Report***

The first UAC report was given to the Board of Trustees at their meeting held on Saturday, November 15, 2003 in order to build greater awareness and understanding of assessment principles and practices. An overview of the University assessment process was presented, progress-to-date was outlined and board member questions were answered by Noni Threinen. A copy of the power point presentation is available on the assessment web site. Please contact Noni Threinen with any questions or comments at [nthreinen@nwhealth.edu](mailto:nthreinen@nwhealth.edu) or on extension 277.

### ***Your suggestions are welcome***

Please send your suggestion for future program topics and ideas to me or any of the advisory group members. We welcome your input.

**Advisory group members' names, e-mail addresses and campus phone extensions are available on the assessment page of the CTLA web site.**