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## YOU ARE INVITED!

### Annual OCDBE Parent Retreat

Friday evening, April 21 to Sunday noon, April 23, 2023

Deer Creek State Park Lodge, Mt. Sterling, Ohio

All parents who have a child with deafblindness, ages birth-22 years, who is registered with the Ohio Center for Deafblind Education are invited to this annual, **no-cost** weekend. Lodging, meals, and materials are provided. Stipends are available to assist with childcare expenses. You are invited to come and network with other parents during this informative and relaxing weekend. The retreat begins with dinner at 6:00 pm on April 21 and concludes at noon on April 23.

#### Weekend Highlights

**Friday, April 21** Registration, Welcome, Dinner

**Saturday, April 22** **Raising a Child with Deafblindness: I Didn't Sign Up for This**  
*Timothy Hartshorne, PhD, Department of Psychology, Director of the CHARGE Syndrome Lab, Central Michigan University, Principal Investigator for DB Central*

Dr. Hartshorne is well known for his work and research with children who are deafblind and their families. His areas of interest and investigation include issues related to CHARGE and deafblindness including behavior, sleep, play, anxiety, mindful interventions, and how parents and families cope with a child with severe disabilities.

**Sunday, April 23** Raising a Child with Deafblindness (con't)

Register by **March 13, 2023** at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/OCDBEParentRetreat2023>

**Questions?** Contact Jodi Dowell at: [dowelljr@ucmail.uc.edu](mailto:dowelljr@ucmail.uc.edu)



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