

# Retirees Honored at CEHS Awards Ceremony | CPD

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*CPD director Bryce Fifield honors CPD retirees at the EEJ CEHS awards ceremony.* Four retirees from Utah State University's Center for Persons with Disabilities were honored for their service recently. Ginger Payant, Marlene Deer, Connie Pehrson and Georgiana Clausen were honored on April 4 at the Emma Eccles Jones College of Education and Human Services awards ceremony. Ginger Payant started working at the CPD in 2004 and has worked on several grant projects funded through the Maternal and Child Health Bureau and the Administration for Children and Families. Currently, Ginger is the TBI Specialist for the Utah Traumatic Brain Injury Implementation Partnership grant at the CPD. She is a member of The Utah Brain Injury Council and chairs the Education and Training subcommittee. She also serves as facilitator for the Cache Traumatic Brain Injury Workgroup. Marlene Deer will retire after the end of the semester. She has been involved with CPD Programs since 1985 and is the director of the Early Childhood Alternative Teacher Preparation Program and a clinical instructor with the Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation. Connie Pehrson was employed at USU for more than 15 years, and was the content specialist for the CPD website for four years. She worked on several federal grants as a special educator, curriculum developer and training specialist. She took early retirement in September 2012. Georgiana Clausen worked with the Developmental Skills Laboratory for more than 15 years as a job coach and employment specialist. She took early retirement in October 2012.