

Dr. Jennipher Wiebold — Jennipher Wiebold graduated in 1987. Her Septo-Optic Dysplasia diagnosis at birth has led her to a career of helping others who have visual impairments. Her own struggles have been instrumental in moving the field of rehabilitation forward.

In 2014 the Governor of Michigan appointed Dr. Wiebold to serve for three years on the Michigan Council on Rehabilitation Services. Currently, she works as an Associate Professor and Rehabilitation Counseling Program Coordinator at Western Michigan University (Kalamazoo) in a joint appointment with the Department of Blindness and Low Vision Studies and Department of Counselor Education and Counseling Psychology.

Dr. Wiebold has received more than \$3.5 million in research and training grant funding, which has helped over 50 people earn Master's degrees in rehabilitation counseling and receive specialized training in blindness and low vision.