NEBRASKA’S DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
Announces its 2014 Colossal Conference

Harnessing systems and resources to support people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in living an enviable life

September 22-24, 2014
At the LaVista Conference Center, a suburb of Omaha, Nebraska

FEATURED PRESENTATION
Eustacia Cutler, “A Thorn in my Pocket: Raising Dr. Temple Grandin”

Other keynote speakers
Cathy Ficker-Terrill, MS and Frank Pastizzo, BS

Confirmed national presenters providing breakout sessions in five tracks:

BEHAVIORAL Track
- Dual Diagnosis from the Inside – Melanie Hecker and Phyllis Hecker
- The Behavior Support Team (BST) Model – Dr. Shawn Bryant, PsyD; Jim Davis, Roger Geery, Karen Girch, Nancy Lamb, Wanda Miller, Jonathan Potter and Tessa Main Svoboda
- Alternatives to Guardianship – Calvin Luker, JD and Tricia Luker
- Functional Behavioral Assessments and Behavior Support Plans: The Basics – Dr. Michael Neise, PhD and Rick Mayfield
- Get out the Shovel! Digging Deeper with Functional Behavioral Assessment – Dr. Bill Reay, PhD
- Behavioral Managed Care – Speaker TBA
- Supporting Persons Who Have Experienced Trauma – Dr. Monique Marrow, PhD
- What is Team Behavioral Consultation
- Behavioral Assessment – Calvin Luker, JD and Tricia Luker
- Introduction to Physical and Nutritional Management for Individuals, Families and Providers – Dr. Carl Tyler, MD

HABILITATION Track
- Supporting Individuals – Derrick Dufresne, MBPA and Dr. Michael Mayer, PhD
- Individual Outcomes and Plans (What is a Person-Centered Plan?) – Cathy Ficker-Terrill, MS
- Trends in Person-Centered Services – Dr. Tom Pomeranz, EdD; Derrick Dufresne, MBPA; Dr. Michael Mayer, PhD; Calvin Luker, JD; and Tricia Luker
- Alternatives to Guardianship – Calvin Luker, JD and Tricia Luker
- Assuring an Enhanced Quality of Life: The Role of Service Coordination in the Individualized Support and Futures Planning Process – Dr. Tom Pomeranz, EdD
- Supported Employment – Kevin Schaefier, BA
- Supported Decision-Making in Action – Tina M. Campanella, MA
- The NADSP Code of Ethics Encounter: The First Pillar of Direct Support – John Raffaele, MSW
- E-Learning Opportunities – Lloya Fritz, BA and Mary O’Hare, MEd, MPA
- "I Have no Stress! Addressing Compassion Fatigue – Ana Parra, BA and Mary Moser-Coooper, MA
- Programming for Individuals who are Deaf and/or Blind – Kris Cardot-Goodwin, BA and Layla Krzykowski, BA
- Supporting Persons Who Have Experienced Trauma – Dr. Monique Marrow, PhD
- Successful Transitions from School to Work – Dr. Daniel Baker, PhD

HEALTH Track
- Introduction to Physical and Nutritional Management for Individuals, Families and Providers – Dr. Carl Tyler, MD
- Supporting the Health and Wellbeing of the Person with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities – Dr. Nabih Ramadan, MD
- Great Expectations: Defining the Deliverables from our Primary Health Care Physician – Dr. Carl Tyler, MD
- Unmet Healthcare Needs: Lessons Learned – Dr. Carl Tyler, MD
- Straight Talk on Bent Thinking – Dr. Steven Weisblatt, MD
- Dementia and Intellectual Disability: Therapeutic Update for Clinicians – James Bennett, MA, Janet Misel, MEd and Dr. Steven Ruedrich, PhD
- Understanding and Responding to Role of Mental Health Diagnoses in Challenging Behavior – Melissa Cheplic, MP, CHES and Dr. Theodosia Paclawskyj, PhD
- How Health Care Reform Affects Individuals with I/DD – Speaker TBA

LEADERSHIP Track
- Creating a Culture of Respect – Cathy Ficker-Terrill, MS
- Trends in Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services – Robin Cooper, MSW
- Facility Free AND Habilitative – Derrick Dufresne, MBPA; Dr. Michael Mayer, PhD and Dr. Tom Pomeranz, EdD
- Survey Ready! Any Day of the Week – Mark Wiesel, BSE
- Supervisory Skills and Techniques – Susan Koenig, JD
- Investigation Skills Matter: Protecting People from Harm – Labor Relations Alternatives, Inc.
- Just in Time: Best Practice Strategies for Maximizing Staff Performance – Dr. Tom Pomeranz, EdD
- Bridges: From There to Here – Jodi Fenner, JD; Dr. Shawn Bryant, PsyD; Dr. Michelle Zangger, PsyD and Deb Johnsen
- Supporting Staff and Families through Systems Transformation – Bill Tapp, MA
- We need S'MORE Staff Like That! – Scott Osterfield
- "I Have no Stress! Addressing Compassion Fatigue – Ana Parra, BA and Mary Moser-Coooper, MA

Watch the Nebraska Division of Developmental Disabilities website for registration information in April, 2014.

*Session titles are subject to change.

Appendix F