



SAVE the DATES: OCTOBER 5 – 6, 2017

31st Annual SUPPORTED LIFE CONFERENCE:

Supported Life 2017:

“Designing Dreams: Blueprint for a Meaningful Life”

Crowne Plaza Hotel ~ Sacramento CA

Empowering All People with Developmental Disabilities to be Fully Included in the Community

Presented By Supported Life Institute

Hear a Variety of Important Speakers in the Field of Developmental Disabilities

“Designing Dreams: Blueprint for Meaningful Life”

Schools
 Early Childhood
 Social & Emotional Development
 Inclusive Education
 Valuing Diversity
 Community Based Instruction

Transition
 ... To Independence
 ... To Jobs and Careers
 ... To Continuing Education
 ... To Adulthood & Adult Services
 ... From Early Start

Employment
 Person-Centered Planning
 Customized Employment
 Inclusive Employment
 Innovative Job Development
 Microenterprise / Self-Employment
 Natural Supports

Personal Power & Rights
 Advocacy & Self-Advocacy
 Boardmanship & Facilitation
 Criminal Justice Issues
 Rights & Responsibilities
 Making Your Own Choices

Communication / AAC
 Assistive Technology
 Computer Access
 Literacy
 Speech-Generating Devices

Living / Community
 Full Community Participation
 Housing/ Accessible & Affordable
 Individualized Support
 Innovative Living Options
 Transportation Issues

Policy & Legislation
 Community Organizing
 Meeting w/ Legislators / Lobbying
 Political Action
 Voting & Elections
 Grassroots Advocacy
 CIE Blueprint

Relationships
 Abuse Prevention
 Friendships
 Sexuality

Family Supports
 Early Intervention
 Retirement / Aging
 Siblings
 Navigating the System
 Trust Management
 Social Security &
 Health Benefits

Organizational or Staff Development
 Grant Writing - Fundraising
 Staff Retention
 Staff Training & HR
 Organizational Restructuring
 Professional Development

Health & Wellness
 Exercise / Diet / Nutrition
 End-of-Life Planning & Care
 Health Care Advocacy
 Positive Behavioral Supports
 Mental Health Services
 Abuse - Prevention



Request for Session Proposals

SUPPORTED LIFE 2017 Conference (October 5-6, 2017):

“Designing Dreams: Blueprint for a Meaningful Life”

Session Presenter Proposals

Deadline: **Friday 3/31/17**

The conference planning team welcomes session proposals from individuals & agencies for Supported Life 2017. Sessions are 60 to 70 minutes long (please be prepared for either until assigned)

Proposals received by 3/31/17 are reviewed by planning committee for 2017 Supported Life Conference.

Apply **ONLINE** at www.supportedlife.org

or by **EMAIL**: afaletti@supportedlife.org or **FAX**: 916-567-1977

or **MAIL** to: Supported Life Institute,
1010 Hurley Way, Ste 180, Sacramento, CA 95825

Please send us your:

1. **Session Title** (8 words or less)
2. **Lead Presenter Info**: Name / Affiliation?, Address (include Zip), Phone Numbers (Day & Evening), Email (if any)
Note if you are: Family member, Person with disability, Professional (or "Other" - explain)
3. **General topic area**: Please see general topic areas on previous page
4. May we assign you for "**Either Conference Day**"? or note "**Thur 10/5**" or "**Fri 10/6**" if only available one day
5. If there are other presenters, please provide for each:
Co-Presenters Names, Affiliations, Email for each & Note
Family member, Person with disability, Professional (or "Other" - explain)
6. **Session Summary** (50-100 words)
7. **Brief Resume** / Bio / Personal History of Lead Presenter
8. **Session Objectives**: 3 brief one-sentence descriptions of what attendees will learn from your session.



Notes for Session Applicants

Deadline: Friday, March 31, 2017

- A. Presenters DO pay registration fees. But See C below
- B. **Acceptance Letters** sent by June 30th to **Lead Presenters** (& for you to distribute to any co-presenters) with Final Presenter Forms to complete (due Jul 28) with A/V requests, preferred Introduction & any Session or Presenter Changes
- C. A **Speaker on-time Discount** available for:
up to **3 presenters per accepted session who complete Final Presenter Forms & pay by July 31st.**
= professionals pay only **\$125** (both days) or **\$70** (session day) - *less than half of regular conference price*
= people with disabilities or family members pay just **\$65** (both days) or **\$40** (session day) - *1/3 of non-speaker fee*
(Speaker discount is only available to those whose forms are received by the deadline)
- D. Most **A/V Requests** are offered at **no cost to you** if we receive your **completed Final Presenter Forms by 7/31/17**
- E. Since the Supported Life Conference is a **Professional and Inclusive conference**, please note that:
 - Technical information is encouraged, but the audience is **diverse**, including people with disabilities, family members, and professionals with widely **varying** amounts of experience in the field
 - we encourage proposals which **include** people with disabilities / family members as presenters
 - we encourage **hands-on, practical** information and techniques to be presented, as well as personal **stories**.

Our 31st Annual Conference...

Crowne Plaza Hotel - Sacramento

October 5 – 6, 2017

“A Place to Train Your Staff - in an Inclusive Environment”

... **Learn** from our unique mix of attendees & speakers

... **Hear** success stories, challenges, state-of-the-art services

... **Choose** introductory and/or in-depth training

... **Experience** multiple perspectives including from:
professionals, families, self-advocates

Session to Propose?

You are invited to submit a session proposal for this year's conference

See Details on Page 2...

Session Proposals due Mon. 3/31/17



*Conference
Planning Team*

**CDCAN (CA Disability Community Action Network)
CES (Community and Employment Services)
Connections For Life
Crunchy Corrales
Department of Developmental Services
Disability Rights California / OCRA
Family Resource Centers Network of CA
InAlliance
NorthStar Services
Sacramento City Unified School District
Sacramento County Office of Education
SCDD Sacramento Office
Solano County Mental Health
South Area People First
The Arc of California**

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