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Supported Life Institute

Advocating Inclusive and Dynamic Communities

SAVE the DATES: OCTOBER 10 – 11, 2019

 ***33rd Annual*** SUPPORTED LIFE CONFERENCE:

**Supported Life 2019:**

**“Opening Doors to Diversity:**

**Cultivate... Participate... Celebrate”**

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

**Crowne Plaza Hotel ~ Sacramento CA**

**Presented By Supported Life Institute**

**Hear a Variety of Important Voices in the Field of Developmental Disabilities**

Topics in areas such as:

Employment topics:

Customized Employment

Inclusive Employment

Innovative Job Development

Microenterprise / Self-Employment

Natural Supports

Person-Centered Planning / Practice

Transition topics:

… To Independence

… To Jobs and Careers

… To Continuing Education

… To Adulthood & Adult Services

… From Early Start

Schools topics:

Community Based Instruction

Early Childhood

Inclusive Education

Social & Emotional Development

Valuing Diversity

Personal Power and Rights topics:

Advocacy & Self-Advocacy

Boardsmanship & Facilitation

Changing Service Disparities

Criminal Justice Issues

Making Your Own Choices

Rights & Responsibilities

Health and Wellness topics:

Abuse - Prevention

Exercise / Diet / Nutrition

End-of-Life Planning & Care

Health Care Advocacy

Mental Health Services

Positive Behavioral Supports

Family Support topics:

Early Intervention

Retirement / Aging

Siblings

Navigating the System

Trust Management

Social Security & Health Benefits

Policy and Legislation topics:

Community Organizing

CMS & Inclusion

Ethnic Disparities Organizing

Grassroots Advocacy

Lobbying & Political Action

Voting & Elections

Relationships topics:

Community Connections

Friendships

Leisure & Recreation

Sexuality

Supportive Environments

Community Living topics:

Cultural Diversity Support

Community-Building

Housing: Accessible & Affordable

Individualized Support

Supported & Independent Living

Transportation Issues

Organizational and Staff Development topics:

Grant Writing – Fundraising

Organizational Restructuring

Professional Development

Staff Retention

Staff Training & HR

Technology & Support

Communication / AAC topics:

Assistive Technology

Computer Access

Literacy

Speech-Generating Devices

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**Request for Session Proposals**

**SUPPORTED LIFE 2019 Conference (October 10-11, 2019):**

**“Opening Doors to Diversity:**

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**Session Presenter Proposals**

Deadline:  **Friday 3/31/19**

The conference planning team welcomes session proposals from individuals & agencies for Supported Life 2019. Sessions are generally 70 minutes long. Proposals received by 3/31/19 are reviewed by planning committee.

**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 if only “**Thur 10/10”** or “**Fri 10/11”**

 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

**Notes for Session Applicants Deadline: Friday, March 31, 2019**

A. Presenters DO pay registration fees. But See C below

B. **Acceptance Letters** sent by end of June to **Lead Presenters** (& for you to distribute to any co-presenters) with

 Final Presenter Forms due July 31, incl. A/V requests, preferred Intro & any Session or Presenter Changes

C. **Note: Reduced Speaker Fees!** See below:

 up to **3 presenters per accepted session who complete Final Presenter Forms & pay by July 31st.**

 = professionals pay only **$50** (both days) or **$25** (session day)

 = people with disabilities or family members pay just **$50** (both days) or **$25** (session day)

***(Speaker discount is only available to those whose forms are received by the deadline)***

D. Most **A/V Requests** offered **at no cost to you if** we receive **completed Final Presenter Forms by 7/31/19**

E. Since the Supported Life Conference is a **Professional and Inclusive conference**, please note that:

- Technical information is encouraged, but the audience is **diverse,** incl. 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 presenting of **hands-on,** **practical** info and techniques, as well as personal **stories**.

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**Our 33rd Annual Conference...**

Crowne Plaza Hotel - Sacramento

**October 10 – 11, 2019**

**“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 3/31/19**

**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 County Office of Education**

**SCDD Sacramento Office**