2014 AUTISM INSTITUTE

Transition to Employment

Presented by The Kelberman Center and The University of Rochester Medical Center's Strong Center for Developmental Disabilities



Thursday, October 2, 2014 | 8:00am - 4:00pm Vernon Downs Conference Center, 4229 Stuhlman Road, Vernon, NY

Join us at the 2014 Autism Institute, where attendees will leave with a expanded knowledge of national best practices related to transition to adulthood and employment. National experts will present on their highly successfully employment programs and higher education models. This is a rare opportunity to hear from multiple national experts from: Virginia Commonwealth University, Syracuse University, Cincinnati Children's Hospital, and leadership from New York's Office of Person's with Developmental Disabilities. Each presenter will showcase highly successful employment and higher education models for persons with developmental disabilities including autism. This conference is for parents, family members, individuals with autism, teachers, job coaches and other professionals.

Schedule of the Day

8:00-9:00am Registration/Continental Breakfast

9:00-9:50am Kevnote (Dr. Wehman)

10:00-11:15am Breakout I (Rutkowski/Thibodeau)

11:30-12:30pm Lunch

12:45-2:00pm Breakout II (Dr. Wehman/Dr. Harbour) Taishoff Center 2:00-2:15pm Cookie/Coffee Break

2:15-3:30pm Breakout III (Dr. Wehman/Rutkowski)

REGISTER NOW!

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Conference Fee - \$45 per person **REGISTER EARLY AS THIS EVENT WILL SELL OUT FAST!** Fees include attendance, continental breakfast and

lunch, as well as snacks and all registration materials. Registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis, attendance

is limited; please visit kelbermancenter.org to register.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE/CANCELLATIONS

Registrations must be received by 9/24/14.

A limited number of scholarships are available. For more information, or to register by phone, contact the Kelberman Center at (315) 797-6241 ext. 284.

Featuring Speakers:



Dr. Wehman is a Professor of Physical Medicine, Rehabilitation and Chairman of Rehabilitation Research with a joint appointment in the Departments of Special Education and Disability Policy and Rehabilitation Counseling at Virginia Commonwealth University. He has written extensively on issues related to transition from school to adulthood and special education as it relates for young adulthood.



Susie Rutkowski

Susie is the Co-Director and Educational Specialist for Project SEARCH. She is a nationally recognized transition expert with specific experience in program development in career technical education and job development for young adults with disabilities. She served as the Manager for Disability Education at Great Oaks Career Campuses for over twelve years.



Lynne Thibodeau

Lynne Thibdeau is the Assistant Director of **Employment and Meaningful Community Activities** for the Office for People with Developmental Disabilities. She has been working with individuals with developmental disabilities and at-risk youth to assist them in obtaining and maintaining employment since 1993. Her academic preparation includes a Masters in Public Administration from Rockefeller College, University at Albany and a B.A. in Business Education from St. Francis College.



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Dee all work at

Wendy Harbour

Wendy S. Harbour teaches courses in disability studies, inclusive K-12 education and disability in higher education. Her areas of expertise are disability studies in education, universal design for learning, postsecondary disability services and accommodations, and transition from secondary to postsecondary settings.

Stanley "Bud" Buckhout

Associate Director of the Taishoff Center at Syracuse University and the Director of InclusiveU where he works for inclusive higher educational opportunities for students with disabilities.

Diana "Dee" Katovitch

Syracuse University

Program Coordinator of the Peer to Peer Project and Assistant Director of the Lawrence B. Taishoff Center for Inclusive Higher Education at Syracuse

Please join us for the

Kelberman Center Celebration Dinner

Following the Autism Institute!

Featuring:

5:00-6:00pm - Cocktail Reception

6:00-8:00pm - Dinner, Autism Update and Awards

Community Members:

There is a \$25 per person fee for community members to attend the annual meeting. Please visit kelbermancenter.org or call Laura at (315) 797-6241 to register.

A Review of 2013-2014:

Celebrating the accomplishments and successes of our children, adults and their families.

