

*Supported Life Institute
presents our:*

31st Annual Conference

SUPPORTED LIFE

2017



“Designing Dreams: Blueprint for a Meaningful Life”

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

Oct. 5 – 6, 2017

**Crowne Plaza Hotel
Sacramento Northeast
Sacramento, CA**

Supported Life Conference:
*Professionals, Families, and Self-advocates
coming Together to
Learn about Supports for people to be
Fully Included in the community...*

Supported Life 2017 *“Designing Dreams: Blueprint for a Meaningful Life”*

Keynote Speakers

Laura Larson This Exec. Director of Far Northern Regional Center, formerly Exec. Director of Area 2 Dev. Disabilities Board, is renowned for encouraging and developing Creative Services & Supports throughout her region. She will prod us to proactively navigate new CMS Rules.



Russell Lehmann, the award-winning motivational speaker, poet, author of “Inside Out: Stories & Poems from an Autistic Mind,” is a board member for Autism Coalition of Nevada & Nevada Governor’s Council on Dev. Disabilities. He travels the US, spreading hope, awareness, acceptance, & tolerance, working to erase stigma & stereotypes accompanying mental disorder.

Debbie Ball This former business owner oversees Easterseals Southern Calif. WorkFirst Employment Division. An officer of both Cal APSE and National APSE board of Directors, her challenge & advice for Supported Employment agencies brings us the latest on working to end segregation, helping people to build meaningful lives.



Peter Leidy, nationally-known speaker, consultant, trainer, & humorous troubadour of the dev. disability field, returns to us from Madison, Wisconsin at the perfect time to help all agencies address federal & state changes, using his long history with Supported Living, Building Community Relationships, Self-Determination, & creating Personalized Supports.

Conference Partners



Early Co-Sponsors (Initial List)

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CDCAN (CA Disability Community Action Netwk)
CES (Community & Employment Services)
Connections For Life
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Dept. of Developmental Services (CA State)
Inalliance
NorthStar Services
Sacramento City Unified School District
Sacramento County Office of Education
SCDD - Sacramento Office
The Arc of California

Conference Registration

Register Online (supportedlife.org) OR Use This Form

Complete form & mail w/ payment to Supported Life Institute. Copy & send separate reg. form for each applicant. (PRINT CLEARLY: -)

1. _____
Name

2. _____
Affiliation/Agency

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Address

4. _____
City, State, Zip Code

5. _____
Area Code and Daytime Telephone Number

6. _____
Email

7. Are you a: Professional Person with a Disability
 Family Member Other _____

8. Will you attend: Both Days Thurs Only Friday Only
 Weds Pre-Conference

9. Registration fees enclosed: \$ _____

10. Accommodations requested:
 Medically-recommended diet Vegetarian lunch preferred
 Sign language Alternative format (Braille, large print, pdf)
Please Specify Request (note: all requests for accommodations must be received at the Supported Life Institute by September 14, 2017):

11. Please circle your preliminary choices of which concurrent sessions you are interested in attending (one choice per session time). You are still free to attend any session you wish at the conference.

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12. Mail this form, plus check or money order payable to: (sorry, credit cards only accepted online)

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Registration Information

Thanks to the generous support of the Supported Life 2017 co-sponsors, we are pleased to offer a significantly reduced registration fee for people with disabilities and family members who wish to attend the conference.

We do ask people with disabilities & their family members who work in the disabilities field to request their agency pay Regular registration fee, to maximize our cosponsors' generosity.

Pre-Conference Session Weds 10/4:		\$75	\$95
<u>Conference registration includes:</u> - Lunch Thursday & Friday - Thurs. Evening Reception		EARLY Registration By Sept 8th	LATE Registration On-Site or After Sept 8th
Conference Regular Fee	2 days	\$285	\$310
Professionals	1 day only	\$225	\$255
Conference Reduced Fee	2 days	\$205	\$240
People w/ Dev. Disabilities & Family members	1 day only	\$155	\$175



Want to Use Your Credit Card?

Register Online:
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Regional Center Vendor Codes

P63905 (svc code 102) = Supported Life Inst. CONFERENCE Reg. Fee

ZA4775 (svc code 022) = Crowne Plaza HOTEL Lodging

Refund Policy

- Cancellations must be in writing & received by 9/8/17.
- All cancellations subject to a 50% administrative fee.
- Cancellations after 9/8/17 (Including "No Shows") Cannot be refunded
- With advance notice, substitutions are welcome.

Volume Discount!

Register 5 at professional rate & receive a 6th registrant FREE.

All Group Registrations Must Be Received Together

Hotel Accommodations

Crowne Plaza Hotel
5321 Date Ave.
Sacramento, CA 95841
916-338-5800



A special rate of \$122 per night + tax is available for Supported Life Conference attendees. Hotel rate includes hot breakfast buffet for up to 4 occupants.

- **Reservations:** call Crowne Plaza Hotel directly 916-338-5800 & refer to "Supported Life Conference."
- To ensure receipt of this special rate, make reservations before **Sept. 25, 2017.**
- There is plenty of **Free Parking** at the hotel.
- **Super Shuttle** provides Airport shuttle service to the hotel. Call them for fees (800) 258-3826.

Pre-Conference Session: Weds 10/4/17 Beyond Conversion and Compliance: Supporting a rich life with employment

Offered by conference partner *California APSE*
= Assoc. of People Supporting EmploymentFirst

Learn how to create services that move beyond walls and preset programs to services that support full inclusion and participation in employment.

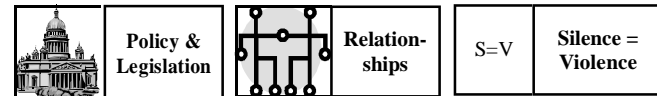
Session focuses on organizational and financial strategic planning, partnering w/ self-advocates and families, daily support strategies and staff training.

12:30 - 4:30 p.m.

\$75 per person (\$95 after 9/8/17)

(This new event not Regional Center vendorized)

More details at www.supportedlife.org



Thursday October 5, 2017

7:45 – 9:10 Registration
7:45 – 9:10 Exhibit Hall Preview
9:10 – 10:10 Welcome / Phil Bonnet, ACRC

Keynote: Laura Larson

Embracing Dreams, Unleashing the
 Unlimited Potential of Tomorrow

10:20 – 11:30 Concurrent Sessions 1A - 1F

1A Yes, Everyone Can Work!

Debbie Ball, *Easter Seals Southern Calif., Escondido*



1B Person Centered Practices: and how it led to my Success. James Poggione, *People Creating Success & "Normal People Scare Me Too," Santa Ynez*



1C Time and The Family Caregiver. Al Millan, *Father, Advocate, Provider, Carmichael*



1D Person Centered Advocacy. Marty Omoto, *CDCAN - CA Disability-Senior Community Action Network, Sacramento*

S=V

1E Panel Discussion: Working Together to Reduce Abuse of People with Disabilities. Molly Kennedy, *Self-Advocate Advisor, Silence = Violence Network, Sacramento*



1F Am I Ready for an Emergency? Sonya Bingaman, *SCDD Sacramento Office, Sacramento*

11:40 – 1:30 Luncheon / Keynote Address

Russell Lehmann

Triumph: Overcoming the Odds

1:30 - 2:20 Exhibit Hall Spotlight

(play Vendor Passport Game - participate for Bonus Prize: to be drawn in eve Info Faire)

2:20 – 3:30 Concurrent Sessions 2A - 2F

2A So You Want to Work? Finding Services that Meet Your Needs. Debbie Ball, *Easter Seals Southern Calif., Escondido*



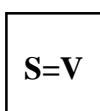
2B CMS Final Rule. Katherine Weston, *Alta Calif. Regional Center - HCBS Specialist, Sacramento*



2C Internet Safety- How to be Safe Online. Mariam El-menshawi, *McGeorge Law School - Victims of Crime Resc Ctr, Sacramento*



2D Person Centered Planning vs. Systems Centered Planning. Ben Praker, *Inalliance, Placerville*



2E Elder and Dependent Adult Mandated Abuse Reporting. Jung Pham, *Disability Rights California, Oakland*



2F Creating & Connecting: Lives & Lifestyles That Matter: Part 1 of 2. Mary Ellen Sousa, *Creative Support Alternatives-SDSU, San Andreas*

NOTE: Exhibit Hall is all day & eve BUT THURS Only)

3:40 – 4:50 Concurrent Sessions 3A - 3F

4:50 – 5:30 Entertainment

5:45 – 7:30 Reception & Information Faire
 Refreshments, Additional Info Tables, DJ/Music, Raffle/Bonus Passport Drawings...



3A Joyful Beginnings: The Creative Challenge of Service Transformation. Laura Larson, *Director - Far Northern Regional Center, Redding*



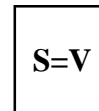
3B Is Self-Determination Right For Me? Sonya Bingaman, *SCDD Sacramento Office, Sacramento*



3C Is a Conservatorship Right For My Child? Michael Pearce, *Special Needs Counselors LLP, Elk Grove*



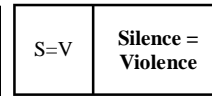
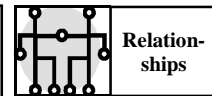
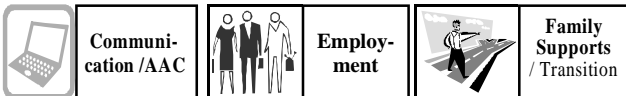
3D Person Centered Planning Methods. Elizabeth England, *Inalliance. Sacramento*



3E Victims' Rights and Services in California. Mariam El-menshawi, *McGeorge Law School - Victims of Crime Resc Ctr, Sacramento*



3F Creating & Connecting: Lives & Lifestyles That Matter: Part 1 of 2. Mary Ellen Sousa, *Creative Support Alternatives-SDSU, San Andreas*



Friday October 6, 2017

8:00 – 9:00 Registration

9:00 – 9:55 Welcome / Keynote Address

Debbie Ball

Employment is for Everyone!
Embracing Employment First

10:00 – 11:10 Concurrent Sessions 4A - 4F



4A CalABLE - a New Tax-Advantaged Savings Tool. Christina Elliott, *CalABLE - Executive Director, Sacramento*



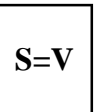
4B Real Work for Real Pay in the Real World: Part 1 of 3. Denyse Curtright, *Dept. of Developmental Services, Sacramento*



4C Designing Your Dream Home: Blueprint for an Accessible Life! Steve Weaver, *EASE - Eagle Accessibility Solutions & Equipment, Auburn*



4D AAC and Me. Isabel Duncanwood, *Voices Unleashed, Redding*



4E Reporting Abuse of 'Dependent Adults'. Lori Delagrammatikas, *Adult Protective Services Liaison / CA Dept. of Social Svcs, Sacramento*



4F Three Years Later: An Update on POS Disparities. Barbara Wheeler, *USC UCEDD, Los Angeles*

For Full Description of Sessions ...

11:30 – 1:35 Luncheon / Keynote Address

Peter Leidy

'We've Come Far, But Not Far Enough:'
A Few Things I've Learned in 35 Years
about Inclusion, Exclusion, and Persistence

1:35 – 1:55 Mini-Sessions

2:00 – 3:10 Concurrent Sessions 5A - 5F



5A 'The Revolution Will Be Tweeted.' Kyla Aquino Irving, *Calif. Foundation for Indep. Living Ctrs (CFILC), Sacramento*



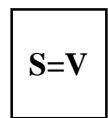
5B Real Work for Real Pay in the Real World: Part 2 of 3. Denyse Curtright, *Dept. of Developmental Services, Sacramento*



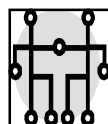
5C Life After Death: Carrying on After Losing a Loved One Steve Weaver, *EASE - Eagle Accessibility Solutions & Equipment, Auburn*



5D 'Let's Talk Library' Ipad Project: Ipad for Communication in the Library. Janet Wininger, *Sac. Public Library, Citrus Heights*



5E S=V: Silence = Violence Statewide Network. Kecia Weller, *Self-Advocate Advisor, Board Resource Center, Sacramento*



5F Relationships - A Happy and Loving One Is Best To Have. Herb Hastings, *Regional Center of the East Bay, San Leandro*

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3:20 – 4:30 Concurrent Sessions 6A - 6F

4:30 Conference Concludes

"A Place to Train Your Staff
~ in an Inclusive Environment"



6A Yes AND! Team Building and Community Building with Improv. Peter Leidy, *Madison, Wisconsin*



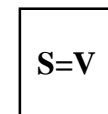
6B Real Work for Real Pay in the Real World: Part 3 of 3. Denyse Curtright, *Dept. of Developmental Services, Sacramento*



6C Special Needs Trust: How It Works. Michael Pearce, *Special Needs Counselors LLP, Elk Grove*



6D STAR Video Training Project: Supporting Individuals With Communication Needs. Jamie Crum, *CTEC (Communication Techn. Education Center) / SLI, Sacramento*



6E Helping Health Professionals Discuss Sexual Violence with their Patients. Mark Starford, *Board Resource Center, Sacramento*



6F Blueprint to Fire Your Attendant. David Forderer, *State Council on Devel. Disabilities / Headquarters, Sacramento*

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