



ALTERNATIVES 2007

Spanning the Recovery Movement:
Consumer Control & Choice

St. Louis, Missouri | October 10-14, 2007

Wednesday, October 10, 2007

Registration Open 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Newcomers' Orientation 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Opening Ceremony

Plenary Dinner 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Presenters: Terry Cline, Ph.D.; Kathryn Power, M.Ed.; Keith Schafer, Ed.D.; Mayor Francis G. Slay

Thursday, October 11, 2007

Registration Open 7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Breakfast 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Welcome Session 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Presenter: Pat Deegan, Ph.D.

Exhibits/Art Display Room Open 11:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Workshops: 10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Topic Area: Advocacy and Activism

Ooops! They're Doing a Background Check

Presenter: Pamela Barnes-Trammell

The Clients Have Spoken: Discrimination, Civil Rights and the Case for a Client-Driven Systems Transformation

Presenter: Delphine Brody

Brain Bondage: The Delay in Mental Illness Recovery

Presenter: Angela Vickers

Topic Area: Recovery and Relationships

Vision of Hope: Peer-Based Strategies for Recovery

Presenters: Judy Ahearn, Gloria Colon, Reecie Mitchum, Barbara Malaney

Natural Health and Healing: Wellness Tools

Presenter: David Boothe

Topic Area: Beyond Illness

Using Pathways to Recovery in a Consumer-Run Organization

Presenters: Cherie Bledsoe, Lori Davidson

Coming Off Medication: Safety, Control and Choice

Presenter: Will Hall

Writing for Healing and Personal Transformation

Presenter: Gayle Bluebird

Topic Area: Systems Transformation

Knock, Knock, Who's There? A Consumer-Driven System

Presenters: Ronda Ames, Rosie Carney

Topic Area: Community Leveraging

Poverty, Money and the Importance of Savings for Wellness and Recovery

Presenter: Peggy Swarbrick

Plenary/Luncheon: 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Arts Plenary & Award Luncheon

Presenters: Gayle Bluebird, Jerome Lawrence, Sybil Noble

Workshops: 2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Topic Area: Advocacy and Activism

International Psychiatry: My Participation in the World Psychiatric Association Congress on Coercion

Presenter: Judi Chamberlin

“Let Our Voices Be Heard!”: Mobilizing Voters in the Mental Health Community

Presenter: Rachel Freund

Topic Area: Beyond Illness

Collaging Our Recovery

Presenter: Mark Davis

Getting Out into the Adventure of Life

Presenters: Judene Shelley, Can Truong, John Aldam

Topic Area: Systems Transformation

Peer Services in a Managed Care Environment

Presenters: Larry Belcher, Ann Rider

Life Coaching Self-Help Managers to Success and Satisfaction on the Job

Presenters: Louis Blicharz, Debra Crowell

Topic Area: Community Leveraging

By and for People in Recovery: Evaluating Self-Help Center Outcomes Through Participatory Action Research

Presenters: Peggy Swarbrick, Jeanette Ellis

Topic Area: Talking About Trauma

Seclusion and Restraints: Supporting Evidence, Best Practices and Tools for Advocacy

Presenters: Pamela Trammell, Kevin Huckshorn, Gayle Bluebird, Howard Trachtman, Patrick Risser, Leslie Morgan, Rosemary Carney, Joyce Jorgenson, Jane Hudson, Maggie Bennington-Davis

Research Findings May Alter Mental Illness Definitions and Causation Factors

Presenters: Mike Halligan, Jo Halligan

Workshops: 3:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Topic Area: Advocacy and Activism

Chop Wood, Carry Water: Mindful Leadership

Presenter: Constance Downey

Advocating for Transformation to Recovery Through Statewide Organizing

Presenters: Daniel Fisher, Molly Cisco, Debbie Whittle

Topic Area: Recovery and Relationships

Employment Issues for Persons Living with Mental Illnesses

Presenter: Jim Coleman

Parents as Recovery Allies: A Father and a Daughter

Presenters: Carol Coussons de Reyes, Bill Coussons

Topic Area: Beyond Illness

The Healing Power of Sacred Circle Dance

Presenter: Debbie Whittle

Let Your Heart Be Your Guide to Wellness

Presenter: Patience DeWeese

Topic Area: Systems Transformation

Building a Culture of Hope: Evaluation Results of the Missouri Procovery Demonstration

Presenters: Jean Campbell, Joe Yancey, Anthony Menditto, Michael Mancini, Donald Linhorst

Topic Area: Community Leveraging

You Want Me to Talk to Them? Building an Urban Advocacy Network

Presenter: Ann Rider

Topic Area: Talking About Trauma

Facing New P.T.S.D. Trauma Episodes

Presenter: Robert Qualls

How We Empower Others Through Peer Support

Presenters: Toni Reyes, Patricia Gibbins

Dinner on Your Own