

Join us for the

NEBRASKA STATEWIDE DISABILITY LEADERSHIP TRAINING SEMINAR SERIES - OMAHA

September 21st and 22nd | 8 am – 5 pm

Autism Center of Nebraska, 9012 Q Street

8 – 8:30 am Registration

Who should attend?

Persons with disabilities, family members, concerned citizens and professionals with emphasis on outreach to underserved groups who are interested in promoting the best outcomes for individuals with disabilities and their families in Nebraska.

What will I learn about?

Leadership and advocacy training regarding systems of services and supports to individuals with disabilities and their families, including philosophical tenets, current systems, opportunities for leadership, systems change strategies, and planning. Participants will receive support at the seminar and beyond on developing advocacy plans, building and supporting state and local coalitions with the goal of improving services and systems for individuals with disabilities.

There is no cost for the training and travel support will be available.

Agenda

Day 1 – September 21st

- Introduction to the Seminar, *Mark Smith*
- A Vision for Nebraska, *Patty McGill Smith*
- A Brief History and Philosophy of Developmental Disability Services, *Dr. Eric Evans*
- Lunch on your own (morning and afternoon refreshments will be available)
- Special Education Birth – Transition, *Jennifer Miller*
- Workforce Innovation & Opportunities Act (WIOA), *Kathy Hoell*

Day 2 – September 22nd

- Issues in Nebraska Adult Developmental Disability Services, *Mark Smith*
- Leadership from One Mother's Perspective, *Janet Miller*
- Lunch on your own (morning and afternoon refreshments will be available)
- Advocacy, Community Organizing, and Voting, *Brad Meurrens, Edison McDonald, Kathy Hoell, Jennifer Hansen*
- Developing Attendee Advocacy Plans and Participation survey(s), *Jennifer Hansen and Mary Angus*

The team you will be meeting

Dr. Eric Evans, Ph.D., Executive Director, Disability Rights Nebraska

Mr. Brad Meurrens, MPA, Public Policy Director, Disability Rights Nebraska

Mr. Edison McDonald, Executive Director, Arc of Nebraska

Ms. Janet Miller, MS, Respite and Adult Services Associate, Munroe-Meyer Institute

Ms. Jenn Miller, Outreach Coordinator, PTI-Nebraska

Ms. Jennifer Hansen, Parent Resource Coordinator, Munroe-Meyer Institute

Ms. Kathy Hoell, Director, **Statewide Independent Living Council**

Mr. Mark A. Smith, M.S. Assistant Professor, Munroe-Meyer Institute

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