

Connecting Individuals with Disabilities and Community Members

Presenter: Angela Amado, Ph.D

Dates & Sites:

September 6, 2007, Bismarck: Comfort Inn, 1030 Interstate Ave. (Call 701-223-1911 for sleeping rooms.)

September 7, 2007, Minot: Audubon Room, MSU Student Union. (Sleeping rooms reserved at the Grand International, 1505 N Broadway, 701-852-3161.)

September 10, 2007, Grand Forks: Development Homes, Inc., 3880 South Columbia Rd. (Sleeping rooms reserved at the C'mon Inn, 3051 32nd Ave. S, 800-255-2323.)

September 11, 2007, Fargo: Research 1, 1735 NDSU Research Park Drive. (Sleeping rooms reserved at the Candlewood Suites, 1831 Research Park Drive, 701-235-8200.)

Time: 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Registration Fee: \$60.00

Connecting Individuals with Disabilities and Community Members. Full community participation includes relationships with a wide variety of people, and valued social roles as a community citizen. **Topics include:**

1. Successful strategies in planning, connecting, and supporting individuals in having more friendships and community involvement;
2. Expanding the variety and types of social roles of persons who receive services;
3. The role of staff as “community connectors;”
4. Supporting community members in being friends with individuals with disabilities;
5. Agency structures which support more relationship-building, community connectedness, and valued social roles for the people served. The emphasis is on direct “how-to” methods.

Who Should Attend: Participants who will benefit from Angela Amado's workshops include those employed at agencies serving people who require support as a result of their disability (i.e., developmental disabilities, mental health, traumatic brain injury). The seminars are appropriate for staff in the following positions:

- Staff who provide direct support to individuals with disabilities
- Program coordinators/service coordinators/case managers/QMRP's
- Frontline supervisors/team leaders/mentors
- Quality assurance personnel, staff trainers
- Administrators

Workshop Schedule: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM (lunch on your own)

Registration: The registration fee for one day of training is \$60 per person. The registration deadline is August 31, 2007

Continuing Education: This workshop qualifies for 6 ND Social Work contact hours (no charge) and ND Board of Nursing contact hours (no charge). MSU CEUs are pending approval (\$20 recording fee).

Hotel Reservations: Some hotel room blocks are held only until 4 weeks prior to the seminar. After that date, rooms are released to the general public and state rate may not be available. The name of the workshop and/or mentioning Minot State University (MSU) will help the reservation clerk find the appropriate room block and rate.

Accommodations: This workshop site is barrier free. Please note on the registration form if any special accommodations are needed.

For Additional Information call 800-233-1737

Angela Novak Amado, Ph.D., is Executive Director of the Human Service Research and Development Center and also a Research Associate with the Institute on Community Integration, University of Minnesota. Dr. Amado has an extensive background in developmental disabilities including direct care, university teaching, nationwide research, agency administration, and state government. Angela Amado has conducted training throughout the U.S., Canada, and also in the Netherlands and Israel on person-centered planning, friendships between people with and without developmental disabilities, community building, self-determination, and person-centered agency and system design. She combines a deep commitment to full community participation for everyone with a practical, how-to method of application to day-to-day situations. Her publications include:

- Requesting Inclusion from the Community – The Necessity of Asking
- Friendships and Community Connections between Persons with and without Developmental Disabilities
- Friends Manual – Minnesota Governor’s Planning Council on Developmental Disabilities

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- September 6, 2007
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- September 7, 2007
Audubon Room, MSU Student Union
Minot, ND 701-858-3000
- September 10, 2007
Development Homes, Inc. 701-335-4000
3880 South Columbia Rd., Grand Forks, ND
- September 11, 2007 701-231-8045
Research 1, 1735 NDSU Research Park Dr.
Fargo, ND

Participants: (Check the date and location above)

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Agency/School Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Make checks payable to Minot State University. (\$60 per person)

Mail, Email, or FAX your registration before 8/31/07 to:

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