



Conference Agenda

2009 Self-Advocate Track
Presented by

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WEDNESDAY, June 24, 2009

8:00 am – 4:00 pm	Registration
<p>1:00 pm – 2:15 pm</p> <p>Keynote</p>	<p><u>Build a Bridge and Get Over It: Presented by Gary Huckaby, Jr., Ph.D</u></p> <p>At the conclusion of this program, participants will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Describe how to approach everyday life scenarios positively. 2) Identify life perspectives that keep people stuck in a rut. 3) Describe how changing personal actions will change personal results for people with disabilities.
2:30 pm – 3:45 pm	<p>Self-Advocate Session – Facilitated by Full Life Ahead Foundation</p> <p>Introductions – “Getting to Know YOU”</p> <p>What does it mean to “Live a Full Life?”</p>

THURSDAY, June 25, 2009

<p>8:30 am – 9:45 am</p> <p>Keynote</p>	<p><u>Funny...You Don’t Look Crazy?! Presented by Victoria Maxwell, B.F.A</u></p> <p>This session will be presented from a self advocate’s perspective, as Ms. Maxwell has been diagnosed with bipolar disorder, anxiety and psychosis, but was able to successfully become employed.</p> <p>At the end of this program, participants will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) List the described symptoms of mania and depression that can be present on the job prior to successful treatment. Describe successful recovery and ‘return to work’ support systems. 2) Outline challenges and solutions specific to returning to work when coping with a mental illness. 3) Demonstrate elements of effective pre-employment and vocational rehabilitation programs as described by a self advocate.
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10:15 am – 11:30 am Self-Advocate Session	“Creative Expression” – “Pouches with a Punch” Painting and Art Activity
11:45 am – 1:00 pm	Lunch Break
1:00 pm – 2:15 pm Self-Advocate Session	“My Cameo” by Self-Advocate: Kassie Taylor “Our Life Now” by Parent: Bill Taylor JABBERS - “Dreams n’ Goals”
2:30 pm – 3:45 pm Self-Advocate Session	Video – “Body & Soul” by: Diana and Kathy U Tube Video of Joey Girardi Facilitated by Full Life Ahead Foundation
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm Self-Advocate Session	“Canvas Collage” – Activity by Full Life Ahead Foundation

FRIDAY, June 26, 2009

8:30 am – 9:45 am Self-Advocate Session	Self-Advocate Session “Working While on SSI” –John Roberts
9:45 am – 10:30 am Self-Advocate Session	Self-Advocate Session “Mock Interview” – Henry Barclay III interviewing Bryan Foxworthy
10:30am – 12:00 pm Self-Advocate Session	“Healthy Relationships” – Tonya Rogers, Family Guidance Council