

Dual Diagnosis Professional Conference Series:

Promising Positive Practices to Address the Mental Health Treatment and Service Needs of People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities throughout the Lifespan

What is the Dual Diagnosis Professional Conference Series?

The Department of Human Services' **Office of Developmental Programs (ODP)** and the **Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (OMHSAS)** are pleased to announce the Dual Diagnosis Professional Conference Series, which offers presentations focused on supporting individuals with intellectual disabilities and autism (ID/A) and mental health needs. The selected presenters share their expertise on best and promising practices as well as provide general knowledge. Session topics, which focus on increasing capacity to serve individuals with dual diagnosis in the community, are chosen based on identified needs and with input from the field of professional stakeholders.

- Invited audience of all professional stakeholders, including direct and clinical supporters for individuals with ID/A are encouraged to attend.
- Registration is required and at no charge to attendees.
- Three (3) hours of training credit and a certificate of achievement is provided.

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August 11, 2022, 9:00 am – 12:15 pm

Session Description: This 3-hour training will present best practices in mental health services and supports for people with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities throughout the lifespan. The presentation will include the perspectives of people with lived experiences as well as practitioners. The START model will be presented to demonstrate the effective use of these practices in cross systems crisis prevention and intervention.

Session 1: 9:00 - 10:30 am. Topics include: lessons learned over the past 50 years, integrated health approach, humanistic engagement vs. behavior support, public health tertiary model, and positive psychology/positive medicine.

Session 2: 10:45 am - 12:15 pm. Topic: the START model.

Presenter: Joan B Beasley, PhD is a Research Professor and the Director of the National Center for START Services at the UNH Institute on Disability UCED. She serves as the Principal Investigator for the START National Research Consortium in IDD-MH in addition to several grant funded projects. Dr. Beasley is a licensed mental health counselor and holds a Ph.D. in Social Policy from the Heller School at Brandeis University. She is the author and co-founder of the START model, first implemented in 1988, a service linkage crisis prevention and intervention program to improve capacity for effective services and supports for children and adults with intellectual/developmental disabilities and mental health needs.

How to Attend:

The session will be offered virtually, via the Zoom © platform. To participate, you will need access to a computer, with a web camera and microphone that meets the Zoom system requirements.

Zoom Technology Requirements - <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362023-System-requirements-for-Windows-macOS-and-Linux>

To Register:

Seating is limited and will be offered on a first come, first served basis.

Use the following link on the MyODP website to register:

<https://www.myodp.org/course/view.php?id=2045>

A Demographics Form will need to be completed before the registration link will become available.

For questions on registration, email: patraining@columbusorg.com.