



Purple Orange

• research • consultation • training
• policy • publication • evaluation

Is pleased to host

Self-directed funding: Practical lessons from Canada



Bruce Uditsky has been instrumental in the development of self-directed funding in Alberta Canada and is recognised internationally for his leadership in family advocacy and the development of sustained and innovative means to creating inclusive lives.

Anne Hughson has played a critical role in bringing to fruition the first resource centre in Alberta dedicated to supporting individuals and families in the utilisation of self-directed funding and is recognised internationally as an author, researcher and presenter on community inclusion.



with

Bruce Uditsky & Anne Hughson

and

Lori Adamchick, Jim Reid & Diane Reid

This event will highlight what is needed by way of individual and family vision, community resources, government policy, funding, service provision, and other related features if self-directed funding is to be of value and benefit.

The presenters have 30 years experience with self-directed funding, from its utilisation in their own family members' lives to developing policies, legislation, resources, providing training and evaluating self-directed funding.

Individuals, families, support staff, service agencies and government agencies are encouraged to attend this full-day workshop, which will be enriched by the lived experience of families from Canada.

Further details and registration form are attached. Places are limited.

For enquiries please call (08) 8373 8333 or freecall 1300 857 327.

Monday 15 August 2011

Our Space, 104 Greenhill Road, Unley

Registration from 9 am, workshop concludes at 4.30 pm

Cost \$150 - full catering provided

Limited sponsorship places are available for people on a lower income.
Contact us for further details.



Purple Orange

• research • consultation • training
• policy • publication • evaluation

Self-directed funding:

Practical lessons from Canada from over 30 years of experience

This workshop will offer participants the opportunity to learn from the Canadian experience in self-directed funding, particularly the province of Alberta where it has been available for over 30 years.

Self-directed funding can significantly contribute to children and adults having an inclusive, valued and ordinary life but it is not a sufficient means unto itself. This event will highlight what is needed by way of individual and family vision, community resources, government policy, funding, service provision, and other related features if self-directed funding is to be of value and benefit.

The presenters have extensive experience with self-directed funding from its utilisation in their own family members' lives to developing policies, legislation, resources, providing training and evaluating self-directed funding. Case studies of the practical application of self-directed funding will be provided. Examples include how tailored personalised supports are shared to gain the greatest impact from the least amount of services and greatest amount of natural supports.

Topics include the role of service providers and limitations (not every type of support lends itself to self-directed funding) and risks associated with self-directed funding if the necessary safeguards are not taken into account (e.g. networks of support, mentorship, sustained collective advocacy with a common vision, continued learning opportunities, vision of inclusion, policies (like rapid reinstatement), eligibility, determination of funding, or portability, etc.).

Presenters:

Bruce Uditsky, M.Ed., Chief Executive Officer, Alberta Association for Community Living (AACL). Bruce has been instrumental in the development of self-directed funding in Alberta, contributing to the development of legislation, government policies, community resources, and evaluating and safeguarding its implementation. He is recognised internationally for his leadership in family advocacy and the development of sustained and innovative means to creating inclusive lives. Bruce has utilised self-directed funding for over 15 years resulting in his son living with intellectual disability being successfully employed and living in his own home with his partner.

Anne Hughson, Ph.D., Director and Associate Professor, Community Rehabilitation and Disability Studies, Department of Community Health Sciences, Faculty of Medicine, University of Calgary. Anne has played a critical role as a researcher and leader in bringing to fruition the first resource centre in Alberta dedicated to supporting individuals and families in the utilisation of self-directed funding. She now sits on the advisory committee to the centre. Anne is recognised internationally as an author, researcher and presenter on community inclusion and related topics having taught and presented in many countries.

Lori Adamchick, M.Ed., Executive Director, Alberta Association for Community Living (AACL). Lori will share how her family has utilised self-directed funding in enabling their daughter to be a business partner in a growing and thriving company. Lori has been responsible for developing family networks throughout Alberta and enabling families to use their personal networks to create better lives for their family members living with intellectual disability. Lori has directed a service agency entirely operated on self-directed funding.

Jim Reid, Past-president Alberta Association for Community Living and *Diane Reid*, Past-president, Canadian Association for Williams Syndrome. Jim and Diane will describe their use of self-directed funding for over 10 years in creating a life for their daughter Jody who is successfully employed and living in her own home. Diane co-chairs the advisory committee to the self-directed funding resource centre. Jim currently chairs the Calgary Community Living Society.

Self-Directed Funding: Practical Lessons from Canada



By Bruce Uditsky & Anne Hughson

9:00am– 4:30pm
Monday 15 August
2011

REGISTRATION/TAX INVOICE ABN:16 464 890 778

Please return completed registration by fax on 08 8373 8373, or email admin@juliafarr.org.au.
For informal enquiries please phone (08) 8373 8333.

First Name: _____ Surname: _____

Organisation Name: _____

Address: _____

Ph: _____ Mobile: _____

Email Address: _____

*** All people planning to attend must register and pay in advance ***

FEES:

All fees are in Australian dollars and GST inclusive.

Registration \$150 Concession \$50 I wish to request a sponsored place

Registrations are limited and close on the 8th August 2011.

EVENT PLANNING:

To ensure delegates can fully participate in the event please advise us if you require any assistance on the day eg. Accessible car park space, auditory devices etc.

List any dietary requirements or preferences: _____

PAYMENT:

Payment must accompany registration

BANK NAME: Bank West
BSB: 305-122

ACCOUNT NAME: Julia Farr Association
ACC NO: 0282789

Cheques made payable to 'Julia Farr Association' - Box 701 Unley Business Centre SA 5061

CANCELLATIONS: No refunds will be provided for cancellations made after 8th August 2011.
A substitute may be sent in your place.