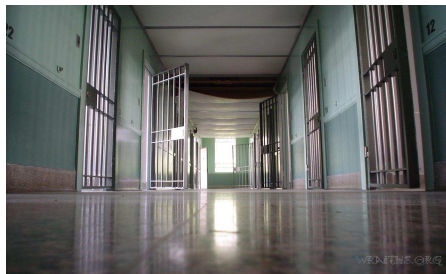


“Interventions for Effectiveness”



5th Annual Upstate New York Re-entry Conference



Friday July 23, 2010
8:30am-4:30pm

Radisson Riverside Hotel
120 East Main Street
Rochester, N.Y 14604

Each year, thousands of men and women leave prison or jail after serving time - it may have been a few months or many years. These persons, along with their families and their communities, are faced with a multitude of challenges. More than ever, decision makers are concerned about the human and financial costs associated with the re-entry process and have recognized that this is a significant public safety issue. More than ever, we collectively need to be equipped to provide effective and efficient assistance to ease re-entry, reduce recidivism and improve public safety.

This full day conference will include a panel discussion and presentations about the most up to date information on research and best practices in the re-entry field. We will engage in a thorough exploration of the most successful interventions with special populations. The remainder of the day will focus on improving intervention skills and understanding the contexts that are particularly helpful for assisting those in re-entry from jail or prison. The emphasis during the afternoon is on skill development and practice. These approaches are relevant for volunteers and agency staff members, as well as skilled professionals.



Conference Goals and Highlights

- To increase participants' understandings about the study of re-entry and the emerging best practices derived from research and experience
- To gain insights into effective techniques for intervention, treatment and applications both during incarceration and post release

General Conference Information and Questions-

For further information regarding the conference, please contact Sara Taylor @ 585-654-9083 or Craig Johnson @ 585-248-8176.

Hotel-The Radisson Riverside Hotel is the conference location and designated conference hotel. The Radisson Riverside Hotel is located at 120 E. Main Street in downtown Rochester, New York. Discounted room rates for the Re-Entry conference are \$99 per night. Conference attendees should make their own reservations by calling the Radisson at (585) 546-6400. The discounted rate will only apply for reservations made by July 9, 2010. Parking is available at the Radisson Hotel and South Avenue Garage for an average cost of \$7.00 per day (Parking availability will vary at different times).

Ground Transportation from Rochester Airport and Amtrak Train Station- The Radisson Riverside Hotel offers free shuttle transportation from the Greater Rochester International Airport (ROC) and the Amtrak Train Station. Please call the hotel directly at (585) 546-6400 for information.

Sponsoring partners:

Mind Evolution Training Institute provides unique opportunities for professional development. Some of the training topics include - substance abuse & co-occurring mental health, criminal justice clients, motivational counseling, adolescents/young adults, and advanced skill development. Craig W. Johnson brings years of experience in working with special need populations. Rahsaan DeLain provides expertise in working with difficult clients.

Positive Steps is an independent consulting company with a mission to provide Technical Assistance and Services to community organizations with a special interest in assisting faith-based and grassroots groups. With over 15 years of experience, founding president Sara Taylor travels throughout the country managing special events and facilitating professional development workshops.

Other Supporters: SMART, Emmanuel Faith & Action and Monroe County Re-entry Task Force and Taylor-Jones Enterprises.

“Opening Doors Agenda”

8:30- Registration, continental breakfast & exhibits

8:50am - Welcome by event coordinators -
Craig Johnson & Sara Taylor

9:00am – Keynote, Rev. Terry King, Saving Grace
Ministries, Buffalo, NY

9:30am- Panel Discussion – Effective Re-entry:
The Critical Questions

10:30am-12:00pm Workshop Session I

- A. **The Challenges of Working with Sex Offenders- Rachel Jordan, Ph. D**
- B. **The Special Needs of Incarcerated Women**
- C. **Ways to Measure Effectiveness- Addrian Conyers, Ph. D**
- D. **Educating the Re-entry Workforce- Diana Robinson, Ph. D**

12:00pm-1:00pm- Lunch –Featured Upstate Program

1:15pm-2:45pm Workshop Session II

Group Work Practice in Re-entry

- A. **Groups with Women – addressing special needs while in jail and upon release**
- B. **Groups with Incarcerated Youth – addressing gangs and hopelessness**
- C. **Groups with Males in State Facilities – the efficacy of CBT**
- D. **Groups with Persons with Co-occurring DO during incarceration and post release**

3:00pm-4:30pm Workshop Session III

Assessment and Planning Process

- A. **Critical Elements of a Comprehensive Clinical Assessment and Treatment Plan**
- B. **Assessing and Planning for Teens and Twenties in Transition**
- C. **Risk Assessment Instruments in Practice**
- D. **Facilitating Consumer Investment in Planning**

Conference Registration Information

Registration Fees and Information:

Full day conference will include: continental breakfast, lunch, and afternoon coffee/cookie break and workshop materials. **The cost is \$80 per person or \$70 per person for 3 or more from the same organization.** (Registration and payment must be mailed together) **Registration deadline is Thursday July 15th, 2010.**

All registrations and payments received after this date will receive a **\$25 charge** or will not be accepted. The registration deadline is firm - registrations will not be processed without full payment. No refunds will be granted after the deadline and all refund requests prior to the deadline will be **subject to a 25% service fee.** No state/county vouchers or faxed registrations accepted this year. Credit cards will be accepted with an additional \$5. Pay pal fee, please call Sara for more information. Confirmations will only be sent via email. **For further information call: Sara Taylor at (585) 654-9083 or Craig Johnson at (585) 248-8176.**

Or visit

www. MindEvolution.org

Please print clearly and answer all questions (you may copy this form for each attendee)

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Agency: _____

Title: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

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