



Bay Area Disabilities/Mental Health Cluster Event

July 17 & 18, 2008

Agenda

July 17, 2008

8:00 am - 9:00 am	Coffee, Fruit, Pastries
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Rebecca Votaw, M.A. Welcome! & Introductions
10:00 am - 12:00 pm	Barbara Kalmanson, PhD
12:00 pm - 12:30 pm	Q & A
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm	Lunch on Your Own
1:30 pm - 3:00 pm	Marilyn Leonard, M.A. MFT
3:00 pm - 3:15 pm	Q & A
3:15 pm - 4:45 pm	Emily Vincent, M.S. CCC-SLP
4:45 pm - 5:00 pm	Q & A

July 18, 2008

8:00 am - 8:30 am	Coffee, Fruit, Pastries
8:30 am - 9:00 am	Rebecca Votaw, Updates, Comments....
9:00 am - 12:30 pm	Break Out Groups
12:30 pm - 1:00 pm	Wrap-Up, Closing...

Barbara Kalmanson, Ph.D.

Barbara Kalmanson has over 30 years of experience working with schools, children and their families. She is a founder and the clinical Director of the Oak Hill School in Sausalito. Dr. Kalmanson has extensive experience as a clinical psychologist, a special educator, and as an infant mental health consultant and is a skilled facilitator of the Floor Time model and teaches others in this model. Dr. Kalmanson's many publications focus on diagnosis and treatment of autistic spectrum disorders (ASD), affective development, relationship-based intervention and the importance of family-provider relationships.

Emily Vincent, M.S. CCC-SLP

Emily Vincent is a bilingual speech-language pathologist who has been working in the field for over ten years specializing in Early Intervention, preschool and school age children. Before becoming a speech pathologist, Ms. Vincent work for an Early Head Start/Head Start program as a Disabilities Specialist and received her hands-on inclusion training at the Head Start sites.

Ms. Vincent specializes in intervention for young children from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds in a variety of settings and finds the benefits of working as a multidisciplinary team while providing information about inclusion interventions and techniques. She has conducted presentations for SAHSA, Chabot College for the Professionals in Child Development, *Creciendo Juntos: Educadores, Niños. Y Familias*, and other local agencies.

Marilyn Leonard, M.A. MFT

Marilyn Leonard has worked with Head Start since 1992 in program and as part of the Technical Assistance Network. Ms. Leonard is a licensed Marriage Family Therapist with training in Play Therapy and Theraplay. Her current position as the Child Youth & Family Division Mental Health Coordinator for The Economic Opportunity Commission of

San Luis Obispo Co. allows her the opportunity to provide direct clinical services to Early Head Start, Head Start families and to coordinate and manage the functions for their Migrant & Seasonal Head Start programs. As part of Ms Leonard's present position, she is also responsible for supervision of the program's MFT interns.

Rebecca Votaw, BS M.A.

Disabilities/Health Content Specialist

Rebecca Votaw has over 25 years of experience in the child development field and over 18 years of experience as an Early Interventionist. Before working for the Region IX Head Start TA Network, Ms. Votaw worked for Part C systems, home based work, Early Head Start/Head Start disabilities coordinator and CIHS Project Specialist.

Currently, Ms. Votaw provides training and technical assistance in the area of disabilities, laws & regulations, community partnerships, IA development; State and local, recruitment, strategic planning, systems implementation, policies and procedure development, temperament & sensory integration dysfunction, environmental adaptations and multidisciplinary teams.