

Kathie Snow is the parent of two young adults, one of whom has a disability diagnosis. She combines her earlier career in the media with personal experiences in the disability arena to ignite positive and long-lasting change.

In lively and insightful workshops in more than forty states and in Canada, Kathie questions today's conventional wisdom, suggests alternatives to traditional services for people with disabilities, and covers a variety of topics including: People First Language, developing new attitudes and perceptions, using natural supports and generic services to create inclusive communities, cooperative advocacy, inclusive education, legislative issues, effective partnerships, systems change, empowerment, disability history, and more. While she's been a "trainer" for 16 years, she still considers herself a "student"—learning from individuals with disabilities, family members, and others who attend her presentations and touch her life in a variety of ways.

Kathie is the author of *Disability is Natural: Revolutionary Common Sense for Raising Successful Children with Disabilities* (now in its second edition) and *101 Reproducible Articles: Revolutionary Common Sense for a New Disability Paradigm*. Her books, the *Disability is Natural* DVD, a variety of articles, and an assortment of bright, colorful, and positive "Disability is Natural" products are featured on her website (www.disabilityisnatural.com).

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Living Real Lives: Tools for Self-Direction

By:

Kathie Snow

Date:

January 12, 2010

Time:

**1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Central Time**



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Date: Tuesday, January 12, 2010

Time: 1:00—4:00 P.M. Central Time

Fee: \$30 per site

Abstract:

The services and assistance provided to children and adults with disabilities can lead to a life of dependency and hopelessness in the Disability World and other unintended, negative consequences. But this can change: children and adults with disabilities can enjoy real lives—self-directed lives—and achieve the lives of their dreams when they have three important tools for success. Everyone has the right to live a real life included in the real world!

Who Should Attend? This session is appropriate for advocates, people with disabilities, family members, human service professionals including direct support professionals, educators, and other individuals involved in efforts to influence public attitudes, values, policies, and practices to improve opportunities and quality of life for people with disabilities.

CEUs: .30 CEUs are pending approval through Minot State University. The recording fee for MSU CEUs is \$20.00. Three contact hours for ND Social Workers and nurses are also available.



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If you do not receive materials for the webinar 3 days prior to the event, please contact Jana Kremer.

Technical Requirements: Participating sites need a computer with Windows '98 (or newer) operating system, CD-ROM drive, and PowerPoint software OR a computer with a high speed internet connection and an LCD projector if the number of participants warrants it. **The call-in number is a toll free number. There will be no long distance charges for sites.**

Registration

Living Real Lives: Tools for Self-Direction

The registration deadline is **January 5, 2010**. (Late registration will be accepted if space permits.)

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