



THE CALIFORNIA GATHERING

for Person Centered Practices
2016

Join us at the 9th annual California Gathering for Person Centered Practices.

Our **2016 theme is Possibilities:** Creating a community that includes everyone by supporting individuals to try new things, discover their gifts, skills, passions and live a life that has personal meaning. Our goal this year is working together to apply, grow, and remain steadfast to person centered practices to support individuals with disabilities in exploring new possibilities and opportunities, while keeping them at the center of their own lives. This year's gathering will explore the many ways people can contribute and be a part of their communities through the use of their voice, gifts, skills, and talents. Through understanding what is at the heart of our community, we develop new

possibilities for people to live the lives that matter most to them in their communities.

Featured Presenter: Beth Mount, Ph.D. We are delighted to have Beth Mount, Ph.D join us this year. Beth has worked for over 40 years toward the ideal that every person with a disability can be a valued member of community life. She has practiced the art of person centered planning with thousands of people with disabilities and their families from every walk of life and from every corner of the world.

Keynote Address: "Heart of Social Change; Connecting to our Gifts, Passions, and Sources of Courage." Beth will explore ways that person centered work is rooted in social change and intends to call forth

our highest potential to make a difference in the lives of others.

Other Featured Guests:

- Jonathon Seyster - local self-advocate, presenter, author, photographer, actor.
- Keri Bowers & Taylor Cross - filmmakers of the 2016, "Normal People Scare Me Too," speakers and advocates.

Parents, Michele Carbone and Louise Mac Kenzie sharing their learning about Self Determination pilot program.

Hear inspirational stories of several people pursuing their passions for making a difference in the lives of others. They will share strategies on how people can be their best self-advocates, pursue their passions and dreams and understand the responsibility that goes with this.

Wednesday September 14, 2016 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Thursday September 15, 2016 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

At the Ventura County Office of Education

5100 Adolfo Road, Camarillo, CA 93012

Who Should Attend?...People who:

- Preferably completed Person Centered Thinking (PCT) training
- Are working to apply PCT in their day-to-day work or personal lives
- Have an interest in gaining skills & knowledge in the area of PCT

Highlights

- Gallery Walk of local artists who have disabilities and contribute to their communities by sharing their creative gifts and talents
- Breakout sessions focus on different areas of interest related to how we are incorporating PCT in our work with a focus on different methods of person centered planning
- Learning Marketplace sessions provide an opportunity to informally share learning
- Large group activities inspire conversation and encourage

relationship building with local partners

Registration

Attending Day 1 only: **\$65.00**

Attending Both Days: **\$85.00**

- **Click here to register or visit: bit.ly/CaGathering2016**
- Register early, cost increases after August 4, 2016
- A Pay Pal account is required for payment. Create one online for free.
- Some scholarships are available for persons that we serve and their families. For information on scholarships, call Tina Calderaro-Mendoza at TCRC at (805) 823-2304.
- Donations are welcome and will be accepted during registration.

We are pleased to host this event in collaboration with many community partners and the International Learning Community for Person Centered Practices.



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