



SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access and Recovery

The Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services' Division of Disability and Behavioral Health Services-Mental Health (SRS DBHS MH), in partnership with Elizabeth Layton Center, Inc., is holding a SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access and Recovery (SOAR) direct service worker training to increase access to SSI/SSDI for people with disabilities, especially persons who are homeless. SRS DBHS MH is offering this training free of charge (SOAR training normally costs \$1,895 per person).

National Results for SOAR States

- Approval rates of 70% on initial application
- Cost savings for local programs
- Reduce need for consultative exams

Who should come?

- Direct service workers who submit federal disability claims
- Communities/programs who serve homeless individuals

Stepping Stones to Recovery Curriculum

- Based on the success of University of Maryland Medical System Baltimore SSI Outreach Project
- Comprehensive explanation of SSI/SSDI applications process
- Discusses strategies for assisting persons who are homeless
- Focuses on the initial application-“Get it right the first time”
- Offers practical tools
- Avoid appeals whenever possible

Featured Speakers

- Jan Owens, Supported Employment Specialist, Elizabeth Layton Center, Inc.
- Tara Simmons, Supported Employment Specialist, Elizabeth Layton Center, Inc.

Training Includes

- Two full days of Stepping Stones to Recovery train the direct service worker program
- Participant Guide with slides, handy tips, sample forms, and tools for successful applications
- Stepping Stones to Recovery companion manual
- CD with color slides with graphics
- DVD with video role-play of interviewing skills



Training will be held:

March 10 & 11, 2010

200 Maine Street, Lawrence, Kansas

8:30-4:30 each day

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Registration Form

First Name: _____ Last Name _____
Title: _____
Organization Name: _____
Street Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____
Work Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

To be completed by the attendee

In registering for the Stepping Stones to Recovery direct service training program, I agree to use techniques I learned when I submit federal disability applications. I have full support and commitment of my agency director as indicated below.

Attendee's Signature: _____

To be completed by the attendee's agency director

As the director of the agency where the above person is employed, I understand my agency's commitment to use techniques from the SSI/SSDI Outreach, ACCESS and Recovery training. I understand that the above person will be resource person related to expediting SSI/SSDI for people who are homeless. I authorize the person above to attend the direct service provider program March 10 & 11, 2010 and will support him/her in future data collection activities.

Agency Director Signature: _____

Print Name/Title: _____

Agency: _____

Please email or fax registration form to Diana Marsh at 785-296-6142 or diana.marsh@srs.ks.gov by March 5, 2010. Registration is required. Persons not registered and confirmed as attendees by SRS DBHS MH will not be admitted.

Training provided by SRS-Disability Behavioral Health Services-Mental Health,
and the Elizabeth Layton Center, Inc.