



2015 FALL CONFERENCE AGENDA October 27, 2015

At Special Olympics Massachusetts

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Registration & Continental Breakfast - Lobby & Gym

8:30 - 9:00 a.m.

Opening Session – Rooms 4 & 5

Welcome and Introductions

9:00 - 9:15 a.m.

Chenine Peloquin, Project Director, Access Recreation Boston

The Art of the Schmooze (Presented by Robbie Samuels, MSW)

9:15 - 11:15 a.m.

Do you feel awkward at networking events and uncomfortable making new connections? Do you miss opportunities to connect with new donors, community members and colleagues because you don't know the best way to approach them at events? Do you have trouble ending conversations so you can keep circulating? We will cover the basics of how to work a room, from having the right tools to knowing the best approach to engage prospective donors and collaborators while cultivating community support.

Networking

11:15 - 11:45 a.m.

Lunch – Gym A

11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Chat over lunch with colleagues or new acquaintances. Be sure to pick up other programs' brochures to continue contact beyond the conference.

Website overview - Gym

Rachael Lee will have a laptop available for anyone who would like to explore the Access Rec website, experiment with the calendar or sign up for membership!

Keynote Speaker – Valerie Fletcher: "Design Matters: A Key to Expanding Seamlessly Inclusive Recreation Opportunities" – Rooms 4 & 5

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Break

2:00 - 2:15 p.m.

Breakout Sessions – Conference rooms

2:15 - 3:45 p.m.

All About Financial Statements (Presented by Adam Schepp, CPA, CIA, CPCU) - Room 1

This session will provide an overview of "GAAP" financial statements, internal financial statements, and tax returns, including best practices on preparing them. Come away with the ability to understand an entity's financial strength or weakness based on reviewing a financial balance sheet, understand what outsiders are looking at when they review your financial statements, and prepare best practices internal financials that are useful to the organization.

Not Off the Shelf: Innovations in Adaptive Equipment (A Panel Discussion with Charlie Croteau, Jeff Dusek, and Tom Mercier, moderated by Tom McCarthy) – Room 4

Learn how this panel of creative individuals develop equipment solutions that increase access to recreation. Through imaginative recycling, low-tech approaches, creative design processes and innovative re-use of high tech equipment, these individuals have each found new ways to open recreation to people with disabilities. You will learn how to make simple adaptations to equipment you have on hand, creative ways to find the partners you need to access the technology and expertise needed to get your idea built, and new ways of thinking about adaptive equipment and why it is something within everyone's reach.

Supporting Individuals with Autism: with Advances Learning Center (Presented by Jamie Reed, MS, BCBA and Wendy Greenhalgh, MS, BCBA.) – Room 5

This session will provide attendees with simple, evidenced-based methods to enhance their work with people with autism. Underlying principles of Applied Behavior Analysis will be discussed and attendees will have the opportunity to collaborate on how these principles are at play in their work settings. Attendees will learn strategies to increase participation and arrange incidental opportunities for student success.

Evals & Closing Remarks – Conference rooms

3:45 - 4:00 p.m.

For those attendees earning CEUs, please turn in session evaluation forms to the registration table before you leave as well as the CEU Participant Information Sheet. Your transcripts will be mailed to you.

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Map of Special Olympics Massachusetts

				Gym	
Room 1	Stairwell	Restrooms			
				LOBBY	
	Room 2 Closed	Room 3 Closed	Couches		Registration Tables
		Entrance		Front Desk	
					Restrooms
			Room 4		Room 5