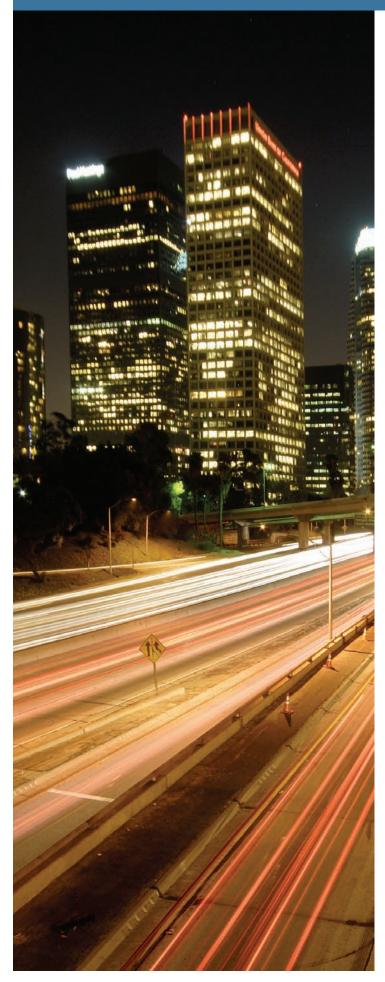
## 28th Annual IARP Conference and Life Care Planning Summit



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May 15–18, 2008 Hyatt Regency Century Plaza Los Angeles, CA

- Learn from your peers
- Discover innovative solutions
- Explore issues impacting your profession



## Come to Los Angeles, CA. Experience it all.

#### **ABOUT IARP**

IARP unites rehabilitation professionals across North America and beyond to promote the availability of effective, interdisciplinary services for persons with disabilities.

IARP serves a diverse membership practicing in the fields of long-term disability and disability management consulting, case management and managed care, forensics and expert testimony, life care planning, and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) consulting. IARP supports the professional growth of its 2,500 members by providing professional competency standards, continuing education programs, networking opportunities, and group-discounted packages of professional benefits.

IARP fosters rehabilitation research and management innovation through national conferences and the publication of peerreviewed articles in the *RehabPro* and the *Journal of Life Care Planning*, its quarterly journals.

IARP strives to shape public policy favorable to private-sector rehabilitation by working closely with other professional associations, government, and industry.





#### WHO ATTENDS THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Insurance Claims Representatives

Life Care Planners

Forensic Experts

Vocational Rehabilitation Counselors

Certified Case Managers

Vocational Case Managers

Occupational Health Professionals

**Disability Management** Specialists

Medical Case Managers

Rehabilitation Nurses

Managed Care Professionals

**Business Owners** and Managers

**Disability Representatives** 

#### WHY ATTEND

Enhance your skills and grow professionally at the IARP Annual Conference.

Acquire the information you need to know today, ideas you can implement tomorrow and the latest on what is shaping the future of rehabilitation direct from recognized leaders during specialized workshops and breakout sessions.

Awaken new perspectives, collect new ideas and be inspired through special presentations at our general sessions.

Build and establish your own personal network with the best rehabilitation professionals. Contribute to an information exchange, from informal discussions to evening social events.

Discover the newest products, services and innovative solutions in the conference's exhibit hall. Take advantage of the opportunity to meet face-to-face with more than 40 conference vendors.

Earn CEUs towards the following certifications: ARN, CRC, CDMS, CCM, ABVE, CLCP, and CVE. Application has been made for up to 17.5 contact hours plus for 8.0 for the full-day workshop and 4.0 for the half-day workshop.

We look forward to seeing you this May!

# **Discover Los Angeles,** the city that has it all...

The city of Los Angeles holds many distinctions. LA is the entertainment capital of the world, a cultural mecca boasting more than 300 museums, and a paradise of good weather. From tourist attractions like the Walk of Fame's collection of stars to whale watching on the Pacific, Los Angeles is the place to be.

Whether you are thrill riding at Universal Studios Hollywood, sitting in on a live TV show taping, reveling in the beauty of The Getty Villa, or enjoying live attractions at venues like the Walt Disney Concert Hall - It's all here in LA.

Los Angeles is the only city in North America to have hosted the Summer Olympics twice. Downtown LA is the largest government center outside of Washington, D.C. Los Angeles has the only remaining wooden lighthouse in the state and the largest historical theater district on the National Register of Historic Places.



Valt Disney Concert Hall











Kodak Theater

## Welcome to the IARP 2008 Annual Conference

Dear Fellow Rehabilitation Professional:

Welcome to IARP's 28th annual professional development and leadership conference in Los Angeles, California. This year we are having our annual conference in conjunction with the International Academy of Life Care Planner's Summit for Life Care Planners. This will give us the unique opportunity to have the biennial life care planning attendees also attend the IARP annual conference.

I am also especially happy to see continued international participation in the conference. Dr. Norm Hursh again will be moderating a session that will include speakers/rehabilitation professionals from countries outside of the United States and Canada. We hope to continue to expand our programming to include international members of the association each year and increase the number of international attendees.

May is a beautiful time of year in Los Angeles . We hope you have an exciting time in this vibrant city and are able to experience many of the local attractions in addition to attending the conference.

Sincerely, Trudy R. Koslow



#### IARP CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

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JON VELTRI, Case Management Section Representative



### Welcome to the 2008 Summit for Life Care Planners

Dear Fellow Life Care Planning Professional:

The International Academy of Life Care Planners, a Section of IARP, is honored to host the 2008 Summit for Life Care Planners. This biennial event brings together leaders in life care planning from a variety of organizations with a goal of promoting unity. Through a series of round table discussions, life care planners have the opportunity to examine the hot issues in the field and contribute to the resolutions of these issues and to the continued evolution of the field. Representatives of life care planning training programs, certification programs, and professional associations will join with researchers, practitioners, and support service providers to explore the current state of the field and set future directions. The topics to be discussed at this Summit reflect the changes and maturation occurring in this dynamic field. Although the process of life care planning is not new, developing consensus and unity in the field in order to provide a credible, meaningful, marketable, and defensible service that reflects common principles and foundation among all life care planners is still a work in progress.

A unique feature of the 2008 Summit is that it is joined with the IARP Annual Conference. Attendees will meet on Thursday to participate in six round table discussions. On Friday, attendees will spend the morning attending the IARP Conference while the Summit leaders compile the data from Day One. On Friday afternoon, Summit attendees will reconvene to review, evaluate, and discuss the results. There will also be a discussion of how to apply the results to personal development and to guide organizations in providing relevant services. Summit attendees will then have an option to attend Saturday and Sunday of the IARP Conference at an attractive, reduced registration rate. This is an ideal opportunity for life care planners to attend both events and receive more continuing education units, all for little extra cost or time.

Open to life care planners at all levels of experience, this is your opportunity to participate in the future development of your field. Participants will be listed in the published proceedings following the Summit. Due to the intense nature of the discussions and the need to provide ample opportunity for all attendees to fully participate, registration must be capped. Every prior Summit has quickly reached the registration limit and many life care planners have been unable to attend. Join 150 of your colleagues in shaping your own destiny by registering right away.

Sincerely, Karen Preston, Carol Walker & Jamie Pomeranz

#### SUMMIT COMMITTEE

KAREN PRESTON, Co-Chair, International Academy of Life Care Planners

CAROL WALKER, Co-Chair, Foundation for Life Care Planning Research

JAMIE POMERANZ, Co-Chair, University of Florida

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LINDA STEMPEL, Member

The Summit is co-sponsored by IARP and the Foundation for Life Care Planning Research (FLCPR)

## Thursday May 15th

7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. ......Registration Desk Open
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. .....Summit for Life Care Planning
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. .....Half-Day Workshop
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. .....Half-Day Workshops
1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. .....Exhibitor Move-in
4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. .....Exhibitors Meeting
5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. .....Welcome Reception

## Friday May 16th

6:30 a.m 5:00 p.m	Registration Desk Open
7:00 a.m 8:00 a.m	Continental Breakfast
8:00 a.m 9:30 a.m	General Session:
9:30 a.m 10:00 a.m	Refreshment Break in Exhibit Hall
10:00 a.m 12:00 p.m	Concurrent Sessions
12:00 p.m 1:30 p.m	Awards Luncheon and IARP Annual Meeting
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6:00 p.m 7:30 p.m	President's Reception

# 2008 Schedule-At-A-Glance

## Saturday May 17th

7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. ......Registration Desk Open
7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. .....Continental Breakfast
8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. .....General Session:
10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. ....Refreshment Break in Exhibit Hall
10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. ....Concurrent Sessions
12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. .....Lunch in the Exhibit Hall — Final Session
1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. .....Concurrent Sessions
3:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. .....Refreshment Break
4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. .....General Session
5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. ......General Session

## Sunday May 18th

7:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m......Registration Desk Open 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. .....Continental Breakfast 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. .....General Session: 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. ....Refreshment Break 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. ....General Session: 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. ....CEU Tally Desk Open



# **Summit for Life Care Planning**

#### **REGISTRATION FEE IS \$365 FOR BOTH DAYS**



## Thursday, May 15th

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (*Open to Summit registrants only*) Life care planners will participate in six round table discussions that examine the current state of the field and identify desired directions for the future. The round table topics for this Summit are:

- Visions for LCP Future: Identifying controversial aspects of plans created by various professional disciplines
- Developing Unity in the Field: Standards of Practice shaping the role and function of life care planning
- Best Practices: Methodology Issues in Data Collection
- Best Practices: Methodology issues in creating admissible LCPs
- Research: Priorities, needs, and practical applications in day-to-day practice
  - Professional business issues: Risks and benefits of databases, templates, software



## **Day Two Friday, May 16th** 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

and 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

(Open to Summit registrants only) Summit participants meet to discuss the results from Day One. Reaching consensus (where applicable) and identifying areas where the field needs to focus further development efforts will be examined. Participants will also discuss how to apply the information to personal practice and how organizations should use the information to provide the most relevant programming and services.

# Thursday, May 15, 2008

## HALF-DAY WORKSHOPS

**Ethics and Best Practices in the Use of Technology** 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

#### Registration fee is \$90.00 for IARP Members and \$115 for Non-members

Forensic experts might receive or remit documents electronically. What are the ethical expectations of using this and other technology? What kinds of best practices can practitioners use to safeguard confidentiality, for disclosure, and to help protect the expert from having an ethical complaint filed? Ethics standards per the Code of Professional Ethics for Rehabilitation Counselors (2008 proposed revision) will be explored, and participants will be provided with some best practices ideas to assist in measuring and demonstrating online behavior consistent with ethical standards.

Presenters: Mary Barros-Bailey, PhD, CRC, CDMS, CLCP, NCC, ABVE-D, Chair, Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification, and Cindy Chapman, Executive Director, Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification

#### Assessing Employability for English and Non-English Speaking Populations: The CASAS Employability Competency System (ECS) 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

#### Registration fee is \$90.00 for IARP Members and \$115 for Non-members

Employers need a workforce that can apply basic academic, critical thinking, and interpersonal skills to specific job tasks. ECS evaluates the individual's strengths and weaknesses as they relate to employability competencies. This allows the counselor to match the client's abilities to appropriate programs and levels of instruction, and to set employment goals for both case management and forensic purposes. This presentation will demonstrate how this program can be integrated into the assessment of English and non-English speaking workers in three settings: return to work programs, case managers and forensic experts who need to evaluate the work-related competencies of clients for litigation purposes.

Presenters: Judi Drew PhD, ABD, CRC, LRC, Certified Rehabilitation Counselor, Voc Works and Virginia Posey, PhD, Senior Research Associate, Comprehensive Adult Student Assessment Systems

#### **IARP Leadership Conference** 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Registration fee is \$90.00 for IARP Members and \$115 for Non-members Each chapter may send one of their leaders complimentary.

The purpose of this workshop is to provide an opportunity for IARP Leaders to meet, exchange ideas and develop plans for the future. All are welcome to attend; IARP Board, Chapter and Committee Members are strongly encouraged to participate in this session.

Presenters: Neil Bennett, M.Ed., CRC, CDMA, Rehabilitation Counselor/ Case Manager, OSV Vocational Systems, Robert Cogburn, BS, MA, CRC, CRC, Vocational Case Manager, Texas Mutual Insurance, Kari D'Aboy, Vocational Counselor, D'Aboy Career Horizons, Inc., Steve Duncan, IARP Washington Chapter Lobbyist, Dennis Funk, MA, Rehab Counselor, Human Resource Development Inc., Kathleen D. Pagana, PhD, RN, President, Pagana Keynotes & Presentations; Professor Emeritus, Lycoming College and Karen Starr, MS, CRC, SDA, CBIS, Case Manager, Starr and Associates, Inc.

#### **Registration Desk Open** 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Half-Day Workshops 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. See descriptions (left).

**Exhibitor Move-in** 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Exhibitors Meeting 4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.



## Welcome Reception 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

The IARP Board of Directors invites you to join your rehabilitation colleagues on Thursday evening for the Welcome Reception to kick off the annual IARP conference. This is a great way to catch up with old friends and a wonderful opportunity to make some new ones. It's also a great opportunity to visit with the vendors.

# Friday, May 16, 2008

#### Registration **Desk Open** 6:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Continental Breakfast** 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.

#### GENERAL SESSION **Using Momentum to** Maximize Leadership Potential 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

"How do we get from where we are to where we want to be?" That is the most important question and the biggest challenge for leaders of today and leaders of tomorrow. This engaging and inspirational presentation answers this question through the concept of Momentum Leadership. By using the combined impetus of knowledge, protocol, and courage to initiate and sustain your momentum, you will learn how to maximize your leadership opportunities. In this presentation, you will be provided with a practical blueprint for learning how to position yourself today for the position you want tomorrow.

Presenters: Kathleen D. Pagana, PhD, RN, President, Pagana Keynotes & Presentations; Professor Emeritus, Lycoming College

#### **Refreshment Break** in Exhibit Hall 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

#### CONCURRENT SESSIONS • FRIDAY, 10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

#### F101: CM Stress — The Impact on Ourselves & Our Clients

Join this session and do something for yourself and your clients. Practice tips will be discussed to make stress more manageable. Stay well and learn techniques to assist in the identification of stress in your clients. Reach a better level of comfort in your employment setting by realistically setting limits on your behavior.

Carole Stolte Upman, RN, MA, CCM, CDMC, CRC, President, Chesapeake Disability Management, Inc.

#### F102: DM **Disability Case Management Practices** within a Global **Economy: Evolving**

**Practice and Standards** The evolution of disability case management practices and standards internationally is significantly influenced by emerging global economic markets, as well as differing societal, professional, and governmental approaches towards disability and health care. A panel of international experts will discuss how disability case management practice is influenced by healthcare policy, legal-regulatory issues, socio-economic factors and other realities. Presenters will examine

disability case management practice standards within the context of increasing emphasis on practices such as prevention, health and wellness, productivity management, and best practice guidelines in the workplace. Strategies to promote international disability management collaboration will be discussed.

Panel Moderated by Norman C. Hursh, ScD, CRC, CVE, Associate Professor, **Boston University** 

#### F103: CM, VE, LCP **Vocational Adjustment** of Aging Brain Injury **Individuals: Comparison of Outcomes Based on Age Injury**

Vocational adjustment, like career development itself, is fraught with many obstacles, especially for individuals with severe disabilities. In the case of individuals with a traumatic brain injury (TBI) it is even more problematic.

The purpose of this presentation is to depict the ways in which TBI has affected not only the specific vocational adjustment of the individuals but it also explores their overall career development. Making a vocational adjustment after a sever injury is only one step in a long process of maintaining

employment and developing a career path. The presenters will review prominent theories of career development and describe individuals who have sustained a TBI and analyze how they have adjusted to their situation and how they look upon their vocational future or development. Two predicators will be analyzed: age of injury and the severity of the injury. These predicators will be compared in the review of the outcomes.

Presenters: Dianne Simmons Grab, MA, CCM, CDMS, CLCP, Simmons Grab & Associates, LLC and Bruce Growick, PhD, Professor, The Ohio State University

#### F104: PRD

#### A New Social Security "Ticket to Work" Program

For those who already know about Ticket to Work, this session will go into some detail about the upcoming new regulations that will strengthen the program by recognizing part-time work, and providing faster payments from SSA. Ticket to Work provides noncompetitive, unrestricted funding, and this will be a valuable program for any size vocational or rehabilitation organization.

Paula Vieillet, M. A. E., CVE, President and CEO of Employment Options, Inc.

**SESSION CODES** CM DM Disability Case Management

Management

LCP Life Care Planning

FOR Forensics PRD VE Professional/Business Development

Vocational Expert

#### Awards Luncheon and IARP Annual Business Meeting

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Join us for this essential component on how IARP functions. Come celebrate our award winners.

#### **Refreshment Break in Exhibit Hall** 3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

#### GENERAL SESSION ADA Restoration Act: Implications for Rehabilitation Professionals

4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. The ADA has brought about enormous changes in public access, but is less successful in the advancing workplace inclusion. 2007-2008 has been a massive year regarding changes in America's second most ambitious civil rights initiative: the ADA. New research, rapid advances in assistive technologies, strong demand for labor, Supreme Court decisions, immigration reform, and congressional efforts to pass the ADA Restoration Act have all had an impact. How do we sort out facts from fiction? What are the likely impacts of all these changes on the provision of rehabilitation services? How will American society regard Americans with disabilities in the decades ahead? What resources exist to keep us better informed in these exciting times?

#### F201: CM, DM, VE, LCP Adaptive Transportation Assessments and Innovative Financing Options

Hop in your car drive to work...shopping...the movies. The ease and convenience of transportation options available to **Temporarily Abled Bodies** (TABS) is often taken for granted. Community access for individuals who experience disability is often not that easy. Your Mission should you choose to accept it: Become knowledgeable in transportation safety and fully understand and evaluate functionally and financially appropriate adaptive transportation options for your clients.

Presenters: Kate Dussault, CFP, President and Director of Marketing, Mobility Support Systems, LLC and Teresa Valois, OTR/L, ATP, CDRS, Consultant

#### F202: CM

Fitting the Job to the Worker: How can an ergonomic analysis be utilized in the claims management process? How often are you searching for the one tool that can provide a low cost solution for assisting your client with returning to the work or home environment safely and effectively? You may have utilized a job analysis or a job assessment; however, the information provided to you is not detailed enough and the system for implementation is time consuming and costly. In this program, you will learn about what should truly be provided with an ergonomic analysis and a cost-benefit solution for implementing recommendations.

Lisa Broering, OTR/CHT, CEAS, President and CEO, Ergo Links Inc.

#### F203: PRD The Absolute best payer source for

#### quality services in America. Why your State should adopt this Model. Save billions in Medicaid costs, provide unlimited medical benefits.

What would you attempt if you knew you could not fail? What if you had unlimited financial resources to help your clients? Please attend and discover a proven successful and revolutionary model to provide comprehensive and compassionate care including aggressive rehabilitation therapies for life for patients with brain injuries and spinal cord injuries!

John Gwynne Prosser II, Author and Owner, Health Providers Choice and Health Partners Group Homes

#### F204: CM, DM The Art and Science of the EMPAQ<sup>®</sup> Employee Satisfaction Survey

Measuring and promoting employee satisfaction in employer-based disability management is crucial to success of your programs. This session will introduce a standardized survey instrument that allows you to measure this illusive concept. A toolkit will be provided that includes case studies. From scoring and interpreting results, to customizing the survey and cover letter, attendees will walk away from this session with the tools they need to implement this critical component into their programs. Provided through an unrestricted educational grant from the Certified Disability Management Specialist Commission, (CDMSC).

Presenters: Maria Henderson, MS, CRC, CDMS, CCM,. Commissioner, CDMSC and Bryon Bass, Vice President, Absence Management Practice Leader; Sedgwick Claims Management Services, Inc.

#### President's Reception • 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m

Join IARP in Celebrating its 28th Anniversary. IARP is planning a spectacular President's Reception in the Exhibit Hall to mark our anniversary and to salute the service of our past presidents. This reception is a great opportunity to have fun, network and re-establish the relationships that you have been developing over the years.

Brian T. McMahon, PhD, CRC, Professor, VCU

SESSION CODES					
CM	DM	LCP	FOR	PRD	VE
Case	Disability	Life Care	Forensics	Professional/Business	Vocational
Management	Management	Planning		Development	Expert

## Saturday, May 17, 2008

Registration Desk Open 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

#### **Continental Breakfast in the Exhibit Hall** 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

GENERAL SESSION Comparing disability outcomes using empirical data on earnings loss for disabled workers compensation claimants

8:30 a.m - 10:00 a.m. RAND published a study evaluating permanent disability ratings in California using empirical data on earnings outcomes for injured workers. The study recommended changes in permanent disability ratings that were adopted by the California legislature and have proved controversial. This session will describe the empirical analysis in the RAND report and will discuss the application of the findings to public policy and potential application to a wide range of practices in disability management, rehabilitation and program evaluation.

Robert T. Reville, PhD, Director of Institute for Civil Justice

#### **Refreshment Break in Exhibit Hall** 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Lunch - Final Exhibit Hall Session 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.



#### CONCURRENT SESSIONS • SATURDAY, 10:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

#### S101: CM, LCP Improving Outcomes through Effective Collaboration with Neuro-Optometry

In an ever growing number of patients who sustain traumatic brain injury, the visual consequences that result from injury are often ignored or untreated. This lack of treatment or inappropriate management can adversely affect the patient's rehabilitation process and result in poor outcomes. This course will provide the attendee with a better understanding of the visual process, how brain injury results in functional visual deficits, and how effective collaboration with neuro optometry results in more effective treatment and improve outcomes.

Eric T. Ikeda, O.D., FCOVD, Neuro Optometric Rehabilitation Association, International, Inc.

#### S102: CM, DM, VE, LCP Applications of work physiology science to capacity test prediction of full time work eight hour work day — Explained

"Is this person's physiological endurance good enough to sustain full time work at what level?"

Comprehensive review and discussion of article written and published in the Rehabilitation Professional, with application implications presented by working Rehabilitation/Case Managers. Focus will be on development of Job Analysis measurement standards and methods, return to work prediction applications and methods by which practicing Case Managers and Forensic specialists and Life Care Planners can evaluate the usefulness of data.

Presenters: Ted Becker, PhD, RPT, Director, EPI Rehabilitation, Neil Bennett, M.Ed., CRC, CDMS, Rehabilitation Counselor/Case Manager, OSC Vocational Systems, and Cloie Johnson, M.Ed., ABVE, CCM, Rehabilitation Case Manager, OSC Vocational Systems

#### S103: PRD Data Analytics in an Emerging E-healthcare Market Place: Considerations to be made in Forensic

**Analysis of PHI** 

Take a deep breath when you look at the 5 legal boxes dropped on your door step. Record production of hardcopy documents or electronic data dumps in paper form. Better yet are you ready to hand that DVD with gigabytes of data dumps? Are you ready to test the integrity of those documents? Have you adjusted your practice to prepare for Bush's mandate of healthcare interoperability by 2010? Your testimony as an expert or analysis in a support role is driven by the data you receive. Bad data can only result in a bad output. This course will walk through considerations in evaluating the integrity of your data.

Rebecca Busch, RN, MBA, CCM, CFE, FHFMA, CEO, MEDICAL BUSINESS ASSOCIATES, INC.

## **Refreshment Break** 3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

#### GENERAL SESSION Rehabilitation Counseling: Focus on the Future

4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. This presentation will review recent research regarding job satisfaction among certified rehabilitation counselors working in various settings and discuss challenges and opportunities for the profession in the future.

Presenters: Amy Armstrong, PhD, CRC, Assistant Professor, VA Commonwealth U, Charlene J. Blankenship, CRC, Assistant Professor/Undergraduate Coordinator, University of Texas – Pan American, Allen Lewis, Vice Chair and Assistant Professor, VA Commonwealth U and Carolyn Hawley, Assistant Professor, West Virginia University

#### **IARP Board and Section Meetings** 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.



#### CONCURRENT SESSIONS • SATURDAY, 1:30 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.

#### S201: VE The Impact of Case Law on Vocational Expert Exams and Opinions in Family Law

Around the country, what decisions have been issued by courts in spousal and child support cases relevant to Vocational Exams? What do the courts consider a reasonable effort and good faith job search? Does interest matter? What can VEs learn from the courts' critiques of Forensic Accountants' earnings assessments? We can increase our credibility as Family Law VEs through an understanding of terminology, the foundation for vocational exams and by reviewing the thought processes of the triers of fact. Participants will have an opportunity to discuss issues such as communication with the ex-spouse; who is the client; observing the exam of the opposing VE; unusual cases; Collaborative Law; and practice questions.

Presenters: Ann Wallace, PhD, CRC CDMS D-ABVE LMFT CLCP, Vocational Expert and Life Care Planner, Wallace & Associates and Lynne Tracy, CRC, CDMS, CDPM D-ABVE LMFT, RCP, Vocational Expert, Lynne Tracy & Associates

S202: CM, DM, VE, LCP The impact of new psychological evaluation practices with psychiatric subjective illness on case/claim management. Dr. Fisher will discuss the case/claim management implications of objective assessment of psychological injury and dysfunction in this population. He will help the insurance professional meet the unique challenges in this population when developing appropriate, file specific referral questions assessing claimant effort and truthfulness, reviewing neuropsychological assessment, and objectively assessing impairment. Further, he will cover new psychological test procedures that hold promise for helping doctors accurately assess this challenging population, and to determine whether impairment is organic or psychological in origin.

David Fisher, PhD, LA, ABPP, President, PsyBar LLC

#### S203: FOR Employment Numbers: An Industry Evolution

Ever wonder about the accuracy and methodology behind popular employment number statistics? Learn about the weaknesses of existing methods to better prepare for testimony. Discover a new convergence method of estimating DOT level employment using aggregate OES data and appropriate industry data from additional public data resources. See how this new data-intensive method can be achieved using software to eliminate the pain of manual data retrieval and mathematics. Understand the

importance of more accurate employment numbers for SSA Testimony and as a critical foundational element for other forensic opinions, including loss of access to a labor market and future earnings.

Jeffrey Truthan, MS, CVE, President, SkillTRAN LLC

#### S204: PRD Writing for Publication

Rehabilitation counselors depend on published research to develop and refine methodologies. Imagine the credibility that can be attained when other practitioners rely on your research. Unfortunately, few practitioners contribute to the pool of rehabilitation literature. This workshop serves to reverse this negative trend by introducing the attendee to simple research designs, academic databases, and scholarly writing techniques with the ultimate goal of authoring an article for publication. Bring your ideas and be prepared to write — attendees will exit the session with an actual working outline which will serve as a springboard for a full-length academic study and/or conceptual article.

Craig Johnston, PhD, Vocational Counselor, Northeastern Illinois University

SESSION CODES CM Case Management

**DM** Disability Management **LCP** Life Care Planning FOR Forensics PRDVProfessional/BusinessVeDevelopmentEx

VE ss Vocational Expert

# Sunday, May 18, 2008

#### Registration Desk Open 7:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

**Continental Breakfast** 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

#### GENERAL SESSION Improving Practitioner Efficiency through Information Literacy: Beyond the Basics to Application

8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Institutions of Higher Education throughout the country are facing revised accreditation standards that require "information literacy" be addressed in its curriculum. Increasing reliance on the internet, on-line data bases, etc., practitioners too need to become consumers of Information Literacy. With the shift in the preparation of practitioners to evidence-based practice, it has become imperative that practitioners in the field become aware of the Information Literacy and how IL can improve practitioner efficiency. More specifically, this presentation will introduce the concept of Information Literacy by administering an "information literacy" pre-test prior to presenting the "basics". Next, the presenters will discuss how information literacy is being implemented in rehabilitation higher education and in one course in particular. Ethical considerations will be discussed in light of information literacy. The presenters will also share the basics of what the rehabilitation practitioner should have in their personal "tool kit." Finally, the presenters will provide several case

studies demonstrating how practitioners can use information literacy to improve their practitioner skills and how information literacy is currently being utilized in the field.

Presenters: Jon P. Veltri, M.Ed., CRC, CCM, CPDM, Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor/Evaluator, Rehabilitation Specialists Group, Inc., and J. Patrick Decoteau, PhD, CRC/LRC, Professor of Rehabilitation & Disability Studies, Springfield College

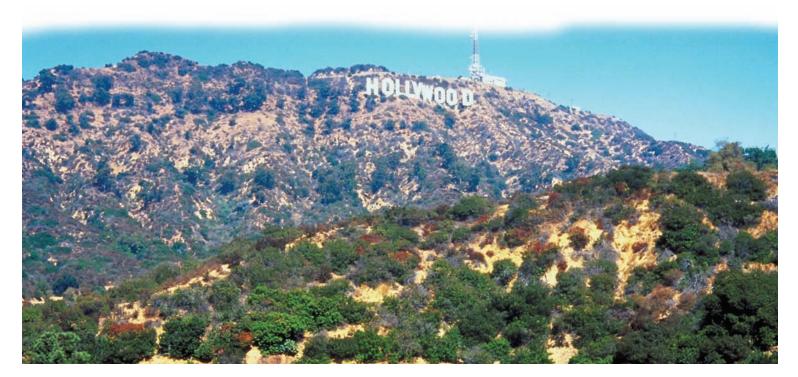
#### **Refreshment Break** 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

#### GENERAL SESSION Ethics Town Hall 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Participants will contribute to enhancement of professional standards that govern rehabilitation counselors by engaging in dialogue about proposed revisions to the Code of Professional Ethics for Rehabilitation Counselors. Sharing of ethical dilemmas and dialogue about how the Code addresses these dilemmas will be encouraged, which will be useful for all attendees.

Presenters: Mary Barros-Bailey, PhD, CRC, CDMS, CLCP, NCC, ABVE-D, Chair, Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor CertificationJeffrey Carlisle, MA, LRC Louisiana; QRP Florida, CCM, CDMS, CRC, Rehab. Counselor, Carlisle Rehabilitation Services, Inc. and Cindy Chapman, Executive Director, Commission on Rehabilitation Counselor Certification

**CEU Tally Desk Open** 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.



## Hotel/Travel/Area Information

#### HYATT REGENCY CENTURY PLAZA

Surround yourself with contemporary glamour and style at the Hyatt Regency Century Plaza. Perfectly situated on the fashionable Westside, adjacent to Beverly Hills, this elegant Los Angeles hotel offers easy access to all the sights of this vibrant city. Set on seven lush acres, with 726 spacious newly renovated guestrooms, world-class spa and fitness center, our Los Angeles luxury hotel is a resort retreat in the midst of the city. Discover why this Century Plaza hotel and spa has been the choice of celebrities and dignitaries for more than 40 years.

#### ROOM RESERVATIONS

Please note - to book within the contracted block, the hotel does require a three (3) night minimum, Thursday, May 15th thru Saturday, May 17th.

IARP has arranged for a special conference rate of \$199.00 per night rate (plus applicable taxes) at the Hyatt Regency Century Plaza. In order to receive this special rate, call the hotel directly at or (310) 228-1234 by April 13, 2008. Be sure to mention that you are attending the IARP Conference when you make your reservation. Space is limited and IARP can not guarantee the room block with still be available at the cut-off date.

IARP has established a second block of sleeping rooms, for Summit Attendees at the InterContinental Los Angeles Century City. To make reservations at the InterContinental please call 310/284-6500. Make sure to reference "IARP" to obtain the special discounted group rate of \$199.00 per night. The InterContinental is located just three (3) blocks from the Hyatt Regency Century Plaza at 2151 Avenue of the Stars, Los Angeles, CA 90067. This hotel does require a two (2) night minimum.

Please note that wheelchair access and Braille signage, TDD phones and alarms available on request. Contact the hotel directly if you need any assistance.

#### TRAVEL INFORMATION

#### AIR TRAVEL

Los Angeles and its surrounding area boast several airports to make your arrival as easy as possible. From the efficient LAX to the conveniently located Bob Hope Airport. For more information, visit www.lorg or www.burbankairport.com.

#### AIRFARE DISCOUNTS

IARP has arranged special discounted airfares for conference attendees flying in and out of Los Angeles on American Airlines (IARP discount code: A8758BD). Reservations can be made online at www.aa.com or by contacting the American Airlines meeting services desk at 800-433-1790. There is a separate ticketing charge of \$15 for tickets purchased via phone or \$20 for tickets purchased at the airport. At this time there is no ticketing fee for reservations made and ticketed online. Lowest fares depend on space availability, so book your flight early.

Please note that international originating guests will need to call their local reservations numbers and provide an agent with the IARP discount code.

#### GROUND TRANSPORTATION FROM

LAX TO THE HYATT REGENCY CENTURY PLAZA Super Shuttle offers 24-hour service, seven days a week to and from LAX. Arriving guests will find a Shared Ride island outside of each baggage claim area. Look for blue vans with yellow lettering marked "Super Shuttle." Departing hotel guests can make reservations 24 hours in advance of leaving the hotel for LAX. Phone: 800-258-3826 (outside California) or 310-782-6600 (inside California). Cost: \$13 each way.

Taxis may be found curbside on the Lower/Arrival Level islands in front of each terminal under the yellow signs indicating "Taxis." Passengers will be presented with a ticket stating typical fares to major destinations. Departing hotel guests should speak with the hotel concierge to arrange transportation back to LAX. Cost: approximately \$35.00 each way.

#### RENTAL CAR

Special discounted rates have been arranged with Avis. Call Avis directly at 800-331-1600 and reference the IARP Avis Worldwide Discount #D086766 or reserve your car online at www.avis.com. Outside the United States, call 310-646-5600 and ask for reservations.

#### **CONFERENCE/REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

Registration fees apply to the individual and cannot be shared among people from the same firm or company. To qualify for the IARP member registration fees, you must be a member of IARP when you register for and attend the Annual Conference or enclose a completed membership application with full payment. Please note that registrations for the pre-conference workshops and the Welcome Reception are extra and not included in the conference attendee fee.

#### EARLY-BIRD REGISTRATION DEADLINE

The early-bird registration deadline is April 10, 2008. All registrations received on or before April 10, 2008 will be eligible for early-bird rates.

#### REGISTRATION CONFIRMATION

All registrants will receive confirmation/receipt of registration via e-mail. Any requests for refunds of room reservations must be made directly with the Hyatt Regency or the InterContinential

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IARP Conference Individual Professional Member	\$365	\$465
IARP Conference Associate Member	\$415	
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IARP Conference Student Member	\$255	\$255
IARP Conference Retiree	\$235	\$235
Summit for Life Care Planning*	\$365	
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After-Summit extension, IARP Non-Member**	\$215	\$240

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#### PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

(Pre-conference sessions are not included in the conference registration fee.)

Thursday, May 15th	IARP Member	Non-Member
Ethics and Best Practices in the Use of Technology (8:00 a.m 12:00 a.m.) .		\$115
Assessing Employability for English and Non-English Speaking Populations (1:00 p.m 5:00 p.m.)		\$115
IARP Leadership Conference (1:00 p.m 5:00 p.m.)		🔲 \$115
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#### CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

One form per registrant. Duplicate as needed. Questions? Call (847) 657-6964

BREAKOUT SESSIONS         Please indicate your interest in attending these sessions. Choose one per time slot.         Friday, May 16th (10:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.)         F101       F102       F103       F104
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<b>Payment by Check</b> Make check payable to International Association of Rehabilitation Professionals (IARP).
Refund Policy Cancellations must be made in writing and faxed or mailed to IARP Headquarters according to the following schedule. There are no refunds for no- shows. Any requests for refunds of room reserva- tions must be made directly with the hotel. On or before April 10, 2008 Full refund Between April 10-24, 2008 Full refund less \$100 After April 24, 2008 No refund
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