ADVOCATE NEW HAMPSHIRE

Second Annual Advocacy Conference-Learn it! Live it! Love it! June 28, 2014 9:00am - 4:00pm

PRESENTATION PROPOSAL FORM

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT PROPOSALS: February 28, 2014

We are seeking workshop proposals for the 2014 Advocate NH annual conference to be held at the Grappone Center in Concord on June 28, 2014. Each workshop is scheduled for **75 minutes**. Proposals will be presented to and reviewed by the conference committee. A limited number of proposals will be selected and presenters will be notified as to the status of their submission. This is an advocacy conference so all workshops must include a person or persons with and without a developmental disability.

<u>TITLE OF PROPOSED PRESENTATION</u>: Viewing is not the Same as Seeing Me; Hearing is not the Same as Listening to Me; Evaluating is not the Same as Knowing Me.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION:

Kestrel Cole-McCrea is a 20 year old young man who has struggled with many developmental issues, to include autism since his birth with fetal alcohol/drug syndrome. He struggles to be seen for who he is, rather than as someone who fits into a clinical category. He struggles to be accepted by the public as a person who has a severe and significant disability when it doesn't appear that he has a disability at all, on first impression.

Dr. Candace Cole-McCrea, his adoptive mother will talk about his social history and how very often the misperceptions and beliefs of the people around Kestrel, including professional helpers, is more disabling to Kestrel than is his actual disability. People usually expect too much or too little of Kestrel or expect him to be able to function exactly like they do.

Kestrel and his mother will discuss these issues, hoping to enlighten the audience in how our died-in-the-wool beliefs influence our perceptions and distort our views of others, while limiting their abilities to be themselves and find creative solutions in the world.

HAVE YOU PRESENTED BEFORE?
<u>Yes</u>
IF YES, WHEN, WHERE AND IN WHAT CAPACITY?
Yes, in multiple places for over 35 years, including full professorship.
Please see next page and complete Presenter Information Section

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Stipend Options: □x One Day Registration (includes meals) OR □ Mileage Reimbursement			

QUESTIONS/MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:

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