

## CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

### **Pre-Conference Kick Off!**

**ELAINE TAVERNA**

**Thursday, November 5, 2009**

6:30pm-9:00pm

There is **no charge for the session**. Please ensure you **pre-register** as space is limited!

### **CONFERENCE PROGRAM**

**Friday, November 6, 2009**

**Conference Fee - \$25.00**

Includes lunch buffet. Limited Bursaries Available. Please indicate any special considerations for food:

### **Payment Information:**

Please complete & return registration **by October 27/09** with payment to:

**W-E Brokerage for Personal Supports**  
3357 Walker Road  
Windsor Ontario N8W 5J7  
Phone: 519-966-8094

# Attending *Pre-Conference*: \_\_\_\_\_

# Attending *Conference*: \_\_\_\_\_

Please add additional pages with registration names and contact information if more than one person attending.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Indicate your Friday afternoon**

**Concurrent sessions here:**

**1:00pm - 2:45pm** \_\_\_\_\_

**3:00pm - 4:30pm** \_\_\_\_\_

**Early Bird Prize Draw**

**if you register before October 16, 2009.**

## ACCOMODATIONS

### **Hilton Windsor**

277 Riverside Dr. W., Windsor

Phone: 1-800-445-8667

**www.hilton.com**

Rooms \$129.00 per night

+ parking \$5.00

To reserve please quote:

Group Code "ZIT"

### **Radisson Windsor**

333 Riverside Drive West, Windsor

1-800-268-9777, ext. 7205

**www.radisson.com**

Rooms \$109.00 per night

+ parking \$5.00

To reserve please quote:

"Modeling Change Conference"

**Note:** Rates correct at time of press  
Reservations must be received by  
**Oct. 23, 2009** to receive these rates.

## Conference Sponsors

Avenues, Flexible Supports for People's Lives

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Windsor-Essex Family Network

Community Living Windsor

Family Respite Services

Enhancing Family Support for Education Project

The Ontario Trillium Foundation



**Presents:**

## Where Dreams Meet Action

**"How to be Strong and Use  
Our Gifts to Build a  
Meaningful Life in Community"**



## November 5 - 6, 2009

### **Caboto Club**

2175 Parent Ave.

Windsor, Ontario N8X 4K2

Phone: 519-252-8383

(Corner of Parent & Tecumseh Rd. E.)

**www.cabotoclub.com**



## Where Dreams Meet Action

**Join us** . . . for an informative evening and inspiring full day as we look at lessons from inventive ways to develop a good and meaningful life with and for people.

We will meet pioneers from our own hometown and beyond who will share how we can become stronger in using our gifts to create the life we want for ourselves and those we love . . . inside and perhaps outside of the system.

One of our dynamic speakers, Elaine Taverna, will start us on Thursday evening by asking us to think about facing the future with our eyes wide open...she will be encouraging us to think deeper about the current issues families and others face as a result of some of the new and upcoming changes to the system. On Friday, Elaine will focus on some of the solutions she has been part of and has seen others work towards.

Our companion presenters will focus on real life stories where successful tools for change will be described and shared.

This is a 'must come to' event for anyone who would like to create change in their or someone else's life. Participants will have a chance to discuss lessons learned so far.

### **THIS CONFERENCE IS FOR YOU . . .**

Who should attend?

- People with an individualized plan or budget or those who are thinking about it
- Family members who assist someone with a plan or budget that is individualized
- Anyone involved in assisting people to individualize their support
- People who have their lives intertwined with the service system
- Self-advocates
- Educational Assistants, personal assistants, supporters
- Health and Wellness practitioners

**BENEFITS FOR YOU . . .**  
*Making new contacts - Learning from each other!*

## PRE-CONFERENCE AGENDA

**Thursday, November 5, 2009**  
**6:30pm - 9:00pm**

- 6:30pm Registration & Refreshments
- 7:00pm Welcome and Introductions
- 7:10pm Key Note Speaker, Elaine Taverna  
**“The Future is Now!”**  
Learn about the current issues families and others face due to proposed changes in the way services and support will roll out.
- 8:50pm Wrap Up  
Overview of Friday's Program Topics

## CONFERENCE PROGRAM

**Friday, November 6, 2009**  
**8:00am – 5:00pm**

- 8:00am Registration & Refreshments
- 8:45am Introduction of Conference Partners
- 9:00am **Happenings with Three Communities**  
Charlotte Dingwall, Provincial Coordinator, Modeling Community Change & Innovation Project
- 9:30am **Solutions: Person Directed Planning & Self-Determination**, Elaine Taverna, Director Community Development, Centre for Self-Determination, Michigan
- My Life, Bustin' Through**,  
Andre Robinson, Chair, Michigan Developmental Disabilities Council

11:30am **Avenues: An Overview**: Catharine Shanahan, Board Member of Avenues

**Noon Luncheon**

**(Afternoon Sessions are Concurrent Events. Please indicate your choice by writing the Session “letter” on your registration form.)**

1:00pm - 2:45pm

**A Changing Traditional Support to a Community-based, Person-directed Experience.**  
Elaine Taverna

**B My Life, My Choice.** The audience will have a chance to view an internationally recognized DVD made in Windsor-Essex and speak with people and families who have used independent facilitation to plan their lives during and after high school. Speakers: people and families from Windsor and Essex County.

2:45pm - 3:00pm Break

3:00pm - 4:30pm

**C Where Actions and Dreams Meet.**  
A guided discussion showcasing how three families' lives have unfolded due to independent facilitation. Family Groups presenting.

**D Leadership Begins with You**  
Come join 'People First' for a fun time learning the secrets for improving your leadership skills. Chris Badour, Rose Ann Drouillard

4:45 pm – 5:00 pm Conference Wrap-Up

**“Learning from experiences with independent facilitation”**