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Employment First: The Road to Recovery

A National Symposium
on Employment and
Psychiatric
Rehabilitation

April 10-11 2006

New York's LaGuardia
Marriott Hotel
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Employment First:

This conference brings leaders in psychiatric rehabilitation and practitioners in employment services together to positively impact the future of persons with mental illness. Join your colleagues in an opportunity to gain skills, influence change and learn about successful and researched approaches to supported employment for persons with psychiatric disabilities.

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Keynote Speakers:

Robert Drake

Robert Drake, M.D., Ph.D., is the Andrew Thomson Professor of Psychiatry and Community and Family Medicine at Dartmouth Medical School and the Director of the New Hampshire-Dartmouth Psychiatric Research Center.

Dr. Drake was educated at Princeton, Duke, and Harvard Universities and has been at Dartmouth for nearly 25 years. In addition to working actively as a clinician in community mental health centers for the past 25 years, he has been developing and evaluating innovative community programs for persons with severe mental disorders.

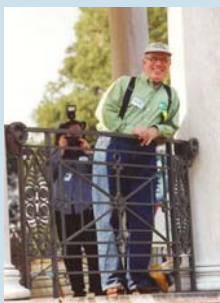


He is well known for his work in co-occurring substance use disorder and severe mental illness. Some of his recent work has focused on vocational rehabilitation. His over 300 publications cover diverse aspects of adjustment and quality of life among persons with severe mental disorders and those in their support systems.

Moses Armstrong

Moe Armstrong is the director of Consumer and Family Affairs for Vinfen Corporation of Cambridge, Massachusetts, a provider of mental health services. Moe and his wife Naomi established the Peer Educators Project. As an individual who struggles with mental illness, Moe began working in the mental health system to create opportunities for people with mental illness. He was one of the first people with schizophrenia to work as mental health professional.

Among the many awards and commendations Moe has received are the Ruth M. Batson Award of the Year (1999); the NAMI National Lionel Aldridge Award; the NAMI Massachusetts Member of the Year Award, and the Advocate of the Year for Massachusetts Department of Mental Health (1966). Moe has served on a number of national and state Boards and Commissions. He has been featured on ABC Nightline with Ted Koppel, Larry King Live, CBS Evening News with Dan Rather, as well as other ABC programs. He also had his own biweekly television show on mental illness.



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**APSE: The Network
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APSE: The Network on Employment is a membership organization formed in 1988 as the Association for Persons in Supported Employment to improve and expand integrated employment opportunities, services, and outcomes for persons experiencing disabilities. To accomplish this mission, APSE:

- Provides advocacy and education to customers of supported employment (SE), i.e. supported employment professionals, consumers and their family members, and supported employers.
- Addresses issues and barriers which impede the growth and implementation of integrated employment services.
- Improves supported employment (SE) practice so that individuals and communities experience SE as a quality service with meaningful outcomes.
- Promotes national, state, and local policy development which enhances the social and economic inclusion and empowerment of all persons experiencing severe disabilities.
- Educates the public and the business community on the value of including persons experiencing severe disabilities as fully participating community members.

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**Symposium Schedule
And Highlights**

Monday April 10

8:30 Registration/Continental Breakfast
9:00-9:15 Welcome/ Introductions
9:15-10:15 Opening Keynote, Robert Drake
10:30-12:00 Breakout Sessions
12:00-1:00 Lunch
1:15-3:00 Breakout Sessions
3:15-4:30 Hot Topics (come discuss hot topics with your colleagues on issues such as funding, legislative issues, access to services, serving people with substance abuse, supports for people with criminal histories and much more)

Visit New York and Manhattan! Transportation options will be available Monday evening.

Tuesday April 11

8:00 Registration/ Continental Breakfast
8:30-10:00 Breakout sessions
10:15-12:00 Breakout sessions
12:00-1:00 Lunch
1:00-2:15 Breakout sessions
2:30-3:30 Closing Session , Moses Armstrong

At this two day conference, national mental health experts will be presenting in the breakout sessions on a variety of topics pertaining to employment for individuals with psychiatric disabilities, including:

- Transition and employment for seriously emotionally disturbed youth,
- Evidence-based practices, and research outcomes,
- Customized employment for individuals with mental illness,
- Serving individuals with mental illness and homelessness,
- Motivational interviewing and employment.
- Ticket to Work and work incentive practices,
- Managing outcomes,
- Illness Management and Recovery,
- Recovery and employment,
- Cognitive skills training,
- Co-Occurring disorders and employment,
- Serving people with criminal histories,
- Employment supports for veterans
- AND MUCH MORE . . .

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A block of rooms is available for conference attendees at the Marriott LaGuardia Airport Hotel. The discounted conference rate is \$154 per night for April 9th and 10th. A special room rate of \$99 per night is available for early weekend arrival on April 7th and 8th.

To make a Hotel Reservation, call 1-800-882-1043 or 718-565-8900 and mention ASPE Employment First to get your discounted rate.

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- ☐ Early Registration (before March 20) – Non-members: \$225 per person
- ☐ Late Registration – All late registrants after March 20: \$250 per person

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