



TO: Interested Parties

FROM: 2012 Dare to Dream Conference Planning Committee

DATE: November 18, 2011

SUBJECT: Call for Presentations for 2012 Dare to Dream Conference
June 10, 11 and 12 – Holiday Inn of Spearfish SD

The Dare to Dream Conference is a bi-annual, statewide conference for individuals with disabilities of all ages and their families. Planned and sponsored by organizations such as South Dakota Coalition of Citizens with Disabilities, USD Center for Disabilities, South Dakota Parent Connection and many more, the Dare to Dream Conference provides keynote speakers, sessions on a wide variety of topics i.e., estate planning, health care, personal safety, housing, self-advocacy, recreation, as well as opportunities for all participants to network and share. It also includes an artist's reception and show, which displays the work of South Dakotans with disabilities.

To our knowledge, this conference is the only conference that offers a wide range of activities and opportunities for all – from infant to adult. It is also the only cross-disability conference of its kind in our state.

Enclosed is a proposal for presentation form. Individuals and organizations, including people with disabilities and family members, are encouraged to submit proposals. Suggested topics are included on the enclosed form, but additional topics are invited that are not on the list. **The deadline for submission of proposals is January 31, 2012.**

Overheads, screens and/or TV/VCR/DVD combinations must be requested when submitting a proposal. Presenters will be responsible for bringing their own laptop, LCD projector and speakers. If doing so presents a hardship to a potential presenter, please indicate that on your proposal.

If you have questions, please contact Arlene Poncelet, Chairperson of the Dare to Dream Conference Planning Committee, at 605-773-6369 or via email at Arlene.Poncelet@state.sd.us.

PROPOSAL FOR PRESENTATION

Dare to Dream Conference

June 10-12, 2012

Holiday Inn, Spearfish, SD



Conference Session Guidelines

- Presentation should reflect current trends/issues occurring in today's society with regards to individuals with disabilities and their families.
- Presentations by people with disabilities and family members are encouraged.
- Materials may not be sold during the presentation.
- Presentation sessions are scheduled for 45-60 minutes in length.
- Presenters will be responsible for their own copies and audio/visual equipment.

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Web site (if available): _____

Speaker Information:

1. Professional credentials (education and experience) that qualify you to present proposed session:

2. Title of Presentation _____

3. Specific audience for your presentation: circle all that apply

Individuals with disabilities

Family Members/Parents

Youth 13+

Other (explain) _____

4. Time preference for presentation (circle all that apply)

Sunday afternoon

Monday morning

Monday afternoon

Tuesday morning

Would you be interested in repeating your session? _____

If yes, circle date/time preferences

Monday morning

Monday afternoon

Tuesday morning

5. **Brief description of presentation content** (maximum 50 words)

6. **Which topic best describes the primary focus of your presentation:** (please check one)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Person centered thinking (PCT)/planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Bullying |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social security benefits | <input type="checkbox"/> Political involvement/voting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Guardianship/conservatorship | <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural issues - Native Americans with disabilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Employment/job skills | <input type="checkbox"/> Sensory disorders |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Self defense | <input type="checkbox"/> Safety from abuse, neglect and exploitation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> When and How to tell your story | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation/leisure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Different stages/expectations throughout life | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> How to be a self advocate | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public speaking | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Autism spectrum disorders | |

7. **Audio/Visual Needs** (Please circle all that apply.)

Overhead Screen TV VCR DVD

Presenters are responsible for all other audio/visual/technology needs. If this presents a hardship, please explain:

8. **Will you require** compensation to enable your participation? If so, please provide details on expenses or fees you require.

Please return to: Dare to Dream Planning Committee, Arlene Poncelet, Chairman

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SUBMIT BY: January 31, 2012