

The Virginia Departments of Education and Rehabilitative
Services

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Announcing the Third Round Table Discussion!

***Adults Service Providers, Employment, Supported Employment
and Brain Injury Services***

Will be hosted by:

**Mary Kaye Johnston
Jean Steveson
Patti Goodall and
Scott Fraley**

**Four Department of Rehabilitative Services personnel will
answer questions related to Adult Services October 8, 2007
until October 19, 2007**

E. Scott Fraley is the Program Specialist for Supported Employment with the Virginia Department of Rehabilitative Services. He has served the agency as an evaluator, counselor, program supervisor, and casework auditor. He has over 30 years experience in vocational rehabilitation services. He holds an A.B. from the College of William and Mary, an M.S. from Portland State University and an Ed.S from the College of William and Mary.

Jean Steveson is a Transition Coordinator with the Department of Rehabilitative Services (DRS) where she provides training and technical assistance for DRS counselors who have school caseloads.

Jean has statewide responsibility for counselors from Fredericksburg to south-side Virginia and to the far eastern reaches of the state. Prior to her current position as Transition Coordinator she was a DRS Rehabilitation Counselor with youth in transition. She has 20 years of experience working with youth with disabilities.

Jean received an AA degree from Ferrum College; a BSW from James Madison University and an MSW from Virginia Commonwealth University. She is also a Certified Rehabilitation Counselor.

Mary Kaye Johnston is currently serving as a Program Consultant with the Virginia Department of Rehabilitative Services. Her position involves programmatic responsibility for several specialty disability populations including individuals that experience serious mental illness, substance abuse, workers' compensation injuries or diseases, and TANF consumers. Prior to that, she worked as a Rehabilitation Counselor and held both specialty and general caseloads in rural and urban settings. Mary Kaye received her BA in Human Relations (a combination of psychology and sociology) from St. Andrews College in Laurinburg, NC and has completed graduate level courses from the University of Kansas, West Virginia and VCU School of Rehabilitation Counseling. She is a Certified Rehabilitation Counselor and a Virginia Certified Rehabilitation Provider. Mary Kaye is a member of the National Rehabilitation Association, and has been very active in the state chapter, Virginia Rehabilitation Association.

Patti Goodall has been the Director of the Brain Injury & Spinal Cord Injury Services Unit in the VA Department of Rehabilitative Services' Central Office since 1992. Her previous positions included two years as director of training for a federally-funded Research & Training Center on Traumatic Brain Injury at Virginia Commonwealth University, and eleven years writing, and working on, state and federal grants to develop and implement the concept of Supported Employment (SE). Patti was one of the first "job coaches" and Supported Employment Placement Specialists in the country. She has facilitated support groups for survivors of brain injury and for family members and conducted substance abuse education programs for people with brain injury.

Patti has developed educational and training materials in the field of brain injury, and has published in the areas of brain injury, supported employment, case management, substance abuse, and vocational rehabilitation. In 1998, she developed and implemented a Life Skills Trainer Program for individuals working with people with brain injuries. In Virginia, rehabilitation counselors can purchase "life skills training" for consumers with brain injury from eight vendors statewide.

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