

People Incorporated, the Massachusetts Alliance for Personal Action, & Family Lives are pleased to announce a four-day workshop on

A REVISED CONCEPTUALIZATION OF SOCIAL ROLE VALORIZATION, INCLUDING 10 RELATED THEMES:

A HIGH-ORDER CONCEPT FOR ADDRESSING THE PLIGHT OF SOCIALLY DEVALUED PEOPLE, & FOR STRUCTURING HUMAN SERVICES (PART I)

on Monday April 7 through Thursday April 10, 2008 (8:30 am to 5:30 pm)
in Diman Regional Vocational High School, Stonehaven Road, Fall River, MA

Taught by Jo Massarelli & associates of *The SRV Implementation Project*

DESCRIPTION OF THE WORKSHOP:

This is *part one* of a *two-part* course. (For more on *part two*, visit <http://www.srvip.org/> or email info@srvip.org). This workshop provides an introduction to Social Role Valorization (SRV), using the ten core themes, developed by Dr. W. Wolfensberger, considered one of the most influential thinkers in the field of human services worldwide. Wolfensberger's work helped lay the foundation for many current human service trends, including integration, safeguarding of rights, & the deinstitutionalization movement.

SRV is a systematic & universally applicable concept for structuring human services, anchored in the empiricism of psychology, sociology, & broad human experience. SRV posits a close relationship between the socially perceived value of the roles that people hold, & whether people in those roles will be accorded opportunities & other good things of life. Bad things tend to get done to people who are seen in devalued roles, & good things tend to be afforded to people in positively valued roles.

Topics to be explored include: the universality of social devaluation; the defining power of roles in people's lives; strategies for pursuing socially valued roles, or at least less devalued roles, for devalued people, with an aim toward improving their life conditions; enhancement of people's social images; & enhancement of people's competencies. The workshop offers a critical SRV-based look at many contemporary human service practices.

FORMAT OF THE WORKSHOP:

The workshop is specifically oriented to leadership development. It is taught in lecture format, with use of overheads & slides. Time is built into the schedule for audience discussion & questions. The schedule is 8:30 to 5:30 each day, with coffee & check-in at 8:15 am each day.

WHO THE WORKSHOP IS INTENDED FOR:

Service recipients, members of their family (including parents, sisters & brothers, & adult children), advocates, citizens, & paid or unpaid service workers, planners & managers who are interested in the lives of people who are disenfranchised from society because of mental retardation, mental disorder, poverty, homelessness, autism, age (elders), physical impairment, or learning impairment (children & adults). The workshop is taught at a college-level, with long hours & hard work. The information presented is complex in its entirety, requiring a systematic exposition of multiple ideas.

TUITION:

The tuition is \$425, which includes a copy of the SRV monograph, handouts, & lunches. Limited scholarship assistance may be available; contact Jack Yates (see below).

LUNCH:

Lunch will be provided on-site by the Diman Regional's culinary arts program.

TO REGISTER, PLEASE SEND:

Your name, address, phone number, & email address, plus tuition check made out to ***SRV Implementation Project***, to: *Jack Yates, People Incorporated, 1040 Eastern Avenue, Fall River, MA 02723.*

NOTE:

This four-day workshop is approved for 36 contact hours of Continuing Education for Registered Nurses & Licensed Practical Nurses by the Ohio Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation OBN-001-91. CE contact hours are provided by workshop cosponsor *Family Lives Nursing Services.*

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Contact Jack Yates at 508.679.5233 ext. 47.

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