



Focus Disability Network Meeting

Please Note: Program Introductions will begin promptly at 8:45am

Date & Time: Monday Jan 26, 2009
8:30 A.M. – 11:45 A.M.

Location: Communitas Supportive Care Society
103-2776 Bourquin Cresc. W
Abbotsford, BC
Tel: 604-850-6608

- 8:30 – 8:45** **Networking opportunities** with colleagues who assist persons with disabilities (bring your business cards, and brochures).
- 8:45 – 9:00** **Introductions, program updates**, information on new or changing community based programs or initiatives that are part of providing services to people with disabilities.
- 9:00 – 9:30** **Heather Collins, MSc(OT)**, from **CBI Physiotherapy & Rehabilitation Centre** shares a presentation called 'Returning to Work & Life Activities' that describes the continuum of care including assessment, individualized rehabilitation and integrated services to meet the needs of each and every client.
- 9:30 – 9:45** **Lori Andrist** from **Pacific Riding for Developing Abilities** will give us an overview of this program, now in it's 35th year, providing therapeutic riding and activities for Lower Mainland Communities. Plus costs and eligibility for day and summer camps.
- 9:45 – 10:15** **Diana McLelland and Corinne Zenuk** from **Triumph Vocational Services** will discuss the a full range of services, from disability management and assertiveness training to career exploration offered in the Fraser Valley to adults with mental health disorders and /or physical disabilities.
- 10:15 – 10:30** **REFRESHMENT BREAK**
- 10:30 – 10:45** **Rachel Decker** of **Abilitas Foundation** will tell us about the development and construction of Cold Water Ranch Lodge - a fully accessible respite lodge 20 minutes West of Merritt (BC) which families with disabled family members, as well as disability organizations will be able to use at no charge.
- 10:45 – 11:30** **Raymond Leclair** of the **Public Trustees office** will highlight the Role of the Public Guardian and Trustee and explain the use of 'legal tools' in the management of the affairs of an adult with a disability.

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