

Finding REAL Work - Discovery and Customized Employment

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"Simply put, all people can work as long as they have support, well-matched job responsibilities and access to the creativity necessary to bring all parties into developing effective solutions."

Date: 14th August, 2017

Time: 9:00am – 5:00pm

Venue: National Museum of Australia, Lawson Crescent, Acton, Canberra, 2601

Registration: People with disability, families \$40
Professionals (support workers, teachers, employment support) \$100
Includes morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea and Powerpoint notes
Bursary tickets are available - please email jan@imaginemore.org.au

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What you will learn about:

Discovery as the foundation to all person-centered planning:

- What is Discovery?
- How is it different than traditional approaches
- Where does Discovery fit in relation to Person-Centered Planning?
- Discovery statistics: How long, how costly, etc.
- A Discovery case example

Facilitating Discovery

- Steps to facilitating Discovery
- Tools/strategies in Discovery
- The importance of descriptiveness

An overview of Customized Employment

- Current U.S. definition
- Essential elements of CE
- The unique distinction of CE
- Is CE just job carving and job creation?
- Examples of customized jobs



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Michael has consulted throughout the US, Canada and Europe in the areas of employment and transition for the past 35 years. He has worked with Marc Gold & Associates (MG&A) for 38 years and has served as president of the organization since Marc Gold's death in 1982. MG&A is a network of consultants that provides training, technical assistance and content certification to systems, agencies and families interested in insuring the complete community participation of persons with significant disabilities. He is a co-author of two "how-to" books on employment for persons with significant disabilities, *Getting Employed, Staying Employed* and *Keys to the Work Place*. He has written numerous articles, chapters, manuals and curriculums pertaining to employment. He is a former national board member for TASH and was a founding board member of APSE. Michael's current work focuses on Customized Employment and Discovery as an extension of the concept of supported employment for persons with significant disabilities. MG&A is now offering certification in Discovery, Job Development and Systematic Instruction for Customized, Supported Employment.

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