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4 TRACKS, 3 KEYNOTE PRESENTERS, 2 DAYS,
FOCUSED ON 1 GOAL:
DEVELOPING THE BEST SUPPORT PRACTICES
FOR AGING WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES.

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May 20, 2019

Dear Conference Participant,

Welcome to the 29th Annual Conference on Aging with Developmental Disabilities!

We hope you find these two days to be educational, thought provoking and enjoyable. We also hope you will take what you learn and what is reinforced and continue to provide the best supports and services to our aging population. We believe everyone here has that very goal. **We are glad you are here!**

As you attend different sessions, listen to different speakers, and network, we ask that you keep in mind the knowledge you acquire comes from professionals of different disciplines. Look around you. You are surrounded by doctors, nurses, administrators, nurse aides, habilitation specialists, DSPs, QDDPs, family members, self-advocates, case managers, social workers and a host of other people who care and worry about people with developmental disabilities who are aging. That being said, you may notice that language, philosophy, and practices differ from state to state, aging to DD world, person to person. For example, many of us are quite familiar with, and committed to, "people first" language. While "people first" is commonly preferred in the field of developmental disabilities, there are also advocates for "identity first" language. Please take the opportunity to listen to the message, even when the terminology may differ from yours, and use what you learn for the betterment of the people we all support.

Thank you for your continued support of our older individuals with developmental disabilities!

Sincerely,

**The 29th Annual Aging with Developmental Disabilities Conference Committee**

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Monday, May 20

8:30  Registration/Exhibitors

9:30  KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Psychosocial Therapy for Cognition in Individuals Aging with a Developmental Disability  

**Grand Ballroom**

**John E. Morley, MB, BCh, Saint Louis University School of Medicine**

Psychosocial Therapy for Cognition has been developed for those with developmental disabilities to stimulate them to talk about their memories. Using familiar items from sports and common events, people with memory problems are encouraged to share their past experiences. This approach enhances mood and communication skills and may even improve intellectual ability. Similarly, loneliness groups (Circle of Friends) can stimulate interactive behavior.

10:30 Break

10:45 Breakout Session I

### DIRECT SERVICE TRACK A

**AGING 101**
Andrea Frazier EdD, Lindenwood University

Identify normal changes of body and mind during aging. Examine common deviations from physical and emotional/cognitive health in aging adults, especially those with developmental/intellectual disabilities.

**Ballroom D1**

### PROFESSIONAL TRACK B

**ADDRESSING SOCIAL ISOLATION THROUGH A CIRCLE OF FRIENDS**
Marla Berg-Weger, PhD, LCSW, Professor, Saint Louis University School of Social Work

Social isolation is a significant concern of older adults and their families. Improve the quality of care provided to all older adults by integrating assessment and intervention of social isolation and loneliness. One such intervention is the evidence-based group intervention, Circle of Friends.

**Ballroom D2**

### NURSING TRACK C

**WHY CAN’T I BREATHE? IT’S NOT JUST ASTHMA**
Archie B. Harmon, PhD, Washington University School of Medicine

Different types of coughs that an aging person can develop and the appropriate treatment for each type of cough will be discussed in this session.

**Ballroom D3**

### POTPOURRI TRACK D

**CANNABIS DERIVED THERAPIES IN EPILEPSY: THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND THE UGLY**
John Ingram, MD, University of Mississippi Medical Center

An overview of epilepsy and seizures, focusing on the remote history of cannabis in the treatment of epilepsy and the more recent history of cannabis and CBD’s role in epilepsy. Research opportunities in using cannabis in the treatment of epilepsy, including a new trial at UMMC, will also be discussed.

**Ballroom A**

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We gratefully acknowledge our conference partners:
Monday, May 20 (continued)

11:45 Lunch
1:00 Breakout Session II

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2:00 Break
2:15 Breakout Session III

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3:15 Break

3:30 Postnote: ST. LOUIS ARC HOLISTIC AGING COMMITTEE: A PANEL DISCUSSION

Grand Ballroom

Mary Anne Tolliver, MPA, St. Louis Arc; Jessica Gantner, St. Louis Arc; Katharine Rug, MS, RD, LD, St. Louis Arc; John Kelly, St. Louis Arc; Craig Sever, BS, RPh, Everspring Pharmacy; Kelli Barton, PhD, University of Missouri at Kansas City Institute of Human Development

The St. Louis Arc continues as a leader in serving the aging population with intellectual and developmental disabilities in the best and most holistic way possible. In early 2018, it was determined that a need for a targeted due process review was present, and the Holistic Aging Committee was created. This committee is overseen by the St. Louis Arc and is comprised of community experts in the field of aging. The group meets monthly to not only review any due process issues (behavior modifying medications/supports and/or rights restrictions) but to also review the individual’s current strengths and challenges and provide recommendations regarding supports, the environment, the need to seek the assistance of additional professionals, educational opportunities, etc. to support the individual as well as the team that is providing supports to that individual as they age. This session will include a panel discussion with some of the committee members who will discuss how the committee was formed, how it is maintained, and what lessons have been learned in its first year.

4:30 Conference concludes for the day
Monday: Ideas for Enhancement ~
Discussion for Missouri Department of Mental Health Division of DD, Regional Office Quality Enhancement RNs and State Operated Programs RNs

MO-DMH/IDD nurses are invited to discuss our ideas from the 29th Annual Aging with Developmental Disabilities Conference and explore ways to implement these ideas.

Monday, May 20, 2019
at 4:30 pm
in Ballroom D3

Conference Awards—Tuesday

During lunch on Tuesday, the 29th Annual Aging with Developmental Disabilities Conference Committee will honor two award recipients.

The Allene M. Jackson Award originated in 2003 in honor of AADD’s founding Executive Director, Allene M. Jackson, who led the agency from 1989 to 1995. This award is given to direct care staff who have demonstrated a commitment to excellence in their work with a person or persons who are at least 50 years of age and have a developmental disability.

The Dr. John E. Morley Award, originated in 2017, is named after the inaugural recipient, Dr. John E. Morley. Dr. Morley is one of the nation's foremost authorities on geriatrics, receiving his medical degree from University of the Witwatersrand. Since 1989, he has been a Dammert Professor of Gerontology and Director for the Division of Geriatric Medicine, Department of Internal Medicine at Saint Louis University Medical Center. He has also been the Director of the Division of Endocrinology at Saint Louis University Medical Center since 2006. The Dr. John E. Morley Award is given in honor of individuals who show commitment and leadership in reducing barriers and/or creating new opportunities for persons who are at least 50 years of age and have a developmental disability. Eligible recipients are doctors, nurses, social workers, administrators, and management professionals who have followed in Dr. Morley’s path in opening doors for this population.
Adults with Down syndrome are at extremely high risk for developing Alzheimer’s disease. Drs. Handen and Bulova, investigators in a dementia and Down syndrome study, will share findings related to providing appropriate services and support for individuals with Down syndrome and their caregivers.

Ballroom D1

11:00 Breakout Session II

Ballroom D2

12:00 Lunch and Award Presentations

Ballroom A

1:15 Breakout Session III

Ballroom D3

2:15 Break

2:30 POSTNOTE: INCLUSIVE RESEARCH WITH OLDER ADULTS WITH IDD: IMPLICATIONS FOR PRACTICE

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- Sponsorship and Commercial Support: We are grateful to our sponsors. Although they provided sponsorship, they had no input or influence over the content or choice of presenters.
- Potential conflicts of interest have been identified in some of our presenters. However, all presenters are committed to present an unbiased presentation.

This conference qualifies for up to 10 continuing education hours as required by many national, state and local licensing boards and professional organizations. Save your course outline, certificate of completion (issued upon request), and contact your specific organization for filing requirements. In the event of late arrival or early departure, amended certificates indicating the actual number of credit hours earned will be provided.
The Association on Aging with Developmental Disabilities (AADD) was initially formed in 1989 as a special interest group and became incorporated in 1994. AADD has a primary objective of bringing the aging and developmental disability fields together to create and provide best practices for people aging with developmental disabilities. It is one of a kind organization in the United States, serving three area counties through ongoing programs and providing consultation and education beyond the geographical service area. Under the leadership of Executive Director, Pamela J. Merkle, programs for people with developmental disabilities supported by AADD have been successful with progressive growth over the last 20 plus years.

Through our direct services, AADD's overarching goal is to prevent entry into unnecessary long-term care placement and premature death in individuals who are aging with developmental disabilities. In response to the latter, all AADD programs have a common goal to provide necessary training to assist individuals in achieving a greater independence in the home and community, while aging in place.

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Kelli Barton, PhD (bartonkn@umkc.edu) holds a doctorate in Gerontology and has expertise in mixed-methods research and evaluation and scholarship in health policy, healthy aging, and aging with DD.

Marla Berg-Weger, PhD., LCSW (marla.bergweger@slu.edu) has scholarly experience focusing on family caregiving, older adult mobility, and non-pharmacologic interventions for persons with dementia. She has published 4 books and 95+ chapters & journal articles. She is a past President of the Association for Gerontology Education in Social Work and managing editor of the Journal of Gerontological Social Work.

Martha Brown, JD, CELA (mcbrown@elderlawstlouis.com) has been practicing in the field of Elder Law for over 30 years and is a Certified Elder Law Attorney as certified by the National Elder Law Foundation. Her firm, Martha C. Brown & Associates, LLC concentrates on the unique legal needs of the elderly, disabled, and the families who care for them.

Peter Bulova, MD (bulovapd@upmc.edu) is an associate professor of internal medicine at the University of Pittsburgh in Pennsylvania, and President of the Board for the United States Down Syndrome Medical Interest Group. He lectures nationally and is published on the care of Adults with Down syndrome in the British Medical Journal. His research is in the early identification of Alzheimer's type dementia. Dr. Bulova is the director of the University of Pittsburgh Adult Down Syndrome Center, and co-director of the health care center for women with physical and intellectual disabilities for the past 15 years.

Craig Escude, MD, FAAFP (craig@hrstonline.com) is a board-certified Fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians with over 20 years of clinical experience providing medical care for people with IDD and complex medical conditions. He is the founder/clinical director of the Developmental Evaluation, Training and Educational Consultative Team of Mississippi, whose purpose is to educate and support community-based medical/dental providers who provide care for people with IDD. In July 2018, he was named President of Health Risk Screening, Inc.

Jacqueline Fernald, RN, CDDN—CV (jacque.fernald@columbiapostacute.com) is a member of the Developmental Disabilities Nurses Association and is the 2018 recipient of the Association on Aging with Developmental Disabilities’ Dr. John E. Morley Award. She has spent her career providing compassionate, evidenced-based care to every individual she has served. She is a certified HealthMatters instructor and a National Task Group on ID and Dementia Practices Regional Trainer.

Beth Foster, BSN (beth.foster@bjc.org) worked as a nurse at St. Luke’s Hospital for over 10 years on various floors, including Acute Rehabilitation and Neurology while pursuing her Bachelor's degree from Webster University. She made a career change 7 years ago to provide care for hospice patients; most recently, she has transitioned to her role as a Palliative Care Specialist with BJC Hospice.

Andrea Frazier, EdD (afrazier@lindenwood.edu) worked as a nurse for five years, specializing in critical care and emergency medicine. She then moved to the insurance industry and worked for United Health Care, formerly known as Sanus Health Plan. In 2007, she started her own case management company, A Frazier and Associates, LLC; in 2011, she received the St. Louis Case Manager of the Year Award by the Case Management Society of St. Louis. She is currently an Assistant Professor of Health Management at the Belleville, IL campus of Lindenwood University.

Debra Funk, BSN, RN (debra.funk@pr.mo.gov) has over 30 years experience as a RN; 25 of those years were in acute care and the rest in the regulatory realm. As the Director of Practice for the Missouri State Board of Nursing, she is the expert on the Missouri Nurse Practice Act including RN, LPN and APRN practice in Missouri.
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Jessica Gantner (jgantner@slarc.org) is the Assistant Director of the Aging With Empowerment program at the St. Louis Arc. She has worked with people with disabilities for over ten years in addition to previous work as a music therapist in the memory care, bereavement, and IDD fields.

Catherine Goebel, MA, MS Ed (catherinegoebel@sbcglobal.net) spent 23 years with the State of Illinois with the last 17 years as a guardian for Office of State Guardian. She has taught gerontology courses at Greenville College (University) and Lindenwood University. She serves on multiple Boards and Commissions which advocate for individuals with DD. She is a Nationally Certified Guardian with the Center for Guardianship Certification.

Benjamin L. Handen, PhD (handenbl@upmc.edu) is a Professor of Psychiatry, Pediatrics, Psychology and Instruction and Learning at the University of Pittsburgh, where he is a leader in the development of clinical services for children with autism and developmental disabilities, as well as an internationally recognized researcher in the field of autism and developmental disabilities. His research focuses on children and adults with developmental neuropsychiatric disorders, with thoughtful evaluation of psychopharmacologic and psychosocial treatment. His most recent activities include serving as the lead investigator on a multi-site Dementia in Down Syndrome Study.

Archie B. Harmon, PhD (harmona@wustl.edu) is on faculty at Washington University School of Medicine. His clinical interests include advanced flexible and rigid endoscopic laryngeal imaging and videostroboscopy, voice evaluation and therapy, FEES study and modified barium swallow study interpretation, acoustic and aerodynamic voice assessment, laryngectomy voice treatment including TEP, Parkinson's disease and speech rehabilitation.

Barb Helm (barbhelm@arcare.org) is the Executive Director of Arcare, Inc., a non-profit offering future planning and financial services to individuals with disabilities and their families. She was instrumental in the development of the Arcare Pooled Trust Program and has been administering the trust since its inception in 1996; this trust serves beneficiaries in Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Iowa and Nebraska and has over 1200 participants.

Lieke van Heumen, PhD (lvheumen@uic.edu) is a Visiting Clinical Assistant Professor in the Department of Disability and Human Development at the University of Illinois at Chicago, where she was a 2015 graduate of the Department’s PhD program in Disability Studies. She received both her undergraduate and master degrees in psychology with a specialization in gerontology from the Radboud University in the Netherlands. She worked as a psychologist in five group homes for people with intellectual disabilities in the Netherlands.

Preston Howerton, DO (pbhowie@gmail.com) has been delivering care to individuals with developmental disabilities for nearly 7 years through the Marshall Habilitation Center and the newly opened Optimistic Beginnings Program. He also has started Howerton Integrated Medical Clinic, a dedicated clinic to those with I/DD, where he has integrated primary care, psychiatry, neurology and dental services for his patients.

John B. Ingram, MD (jingram@umc.edu) attended the University of Mississippi for undergraduate and medical education, followed by residencies in Pediatrics and Child Neurology (UMMC) with subsequent training in Clinical Neurophysiology/Epilepsy (Cleveland Clinic Foundation). He serves as the principal investigator in a clinical trial of oral cannabidiol, CBD for short, targeting children whose seizures are uncontrolled by other means.

John Kelly, MEd BCBA (jkelly@slarc.org) is the Behavior Supports Coordinator at the St. Louis Arc. He has over six years of experience in working with people with I/DD in a variety of settings and age ranges. He holds a Master’s Degree in Special Education with an emphasis on Autism and Developmental Disabilities from the University of Missouri- St. Louis.
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Karen Kelly, EdD, RN, NEA-BC (kkelys@aol.com) has extensive experience in psychiatric nursing, health policy, graduate/doctoral education, and nursing administration. She is the mother of Eric, a 45 year old man with severe autism. Dr. Kelly has served multiple terms on the Illinois Guardianship and Advocacy Commission’s Metro-East Human Rights Authority.

Emily Martin, MOT, OTR/L, CAPS (emartin@especialneeds.com) is a Certified Aging-in-Place Specialist (CAPS) and has also worked as adjunct faculty at Saint Louis University in their OT department as a lab instructor and guest lecturer. Since 2006, Emily’s occupational therapy expertise has carried her through the burn center and hand clinic at Mercy, burn and poly trauma patients with the US Army Institute of Surgical Research Burn Center, and orthopedic clinic for pediatrics and adults in both Fort Bragg and SSM Rehab.

Janis McGillick, MSW, LNHA (jmcgillick@dolancare.com) has been a geriatric social worker for over 40 years, holding management and director positions at several long term care communities, currently working as the Director of Community Engagement at Dolan Memory Care Homes. For 23 years, she worked as the Education Director at Alzheimer’s Association- St. Louis Chapter. Additionally, she is a licensed nursing home administrator and has also served as an adjunct Gerontology faculty at Lindenwood University for the past 15 years.

John E. Morley, MB., BCh (morley@slu.edu) is one of the nation's foremost authorities on geriatrics. Since 1989, he has been a Dammert Professor of Gerontology and Director for the Division of Geriatric Medicine, Department of Internal Medicine at Saint Louis University Medical Center. He has also been the Director of the Division of Endocrinology at Saint Louis University Medical Center since 2006.

Cynthia Mueller, PhD (Cynthia.Mueller@sbcglobal.net) has been employed for 35 years in the field of developmental disabilities, working for the state of Missouri, Department of Mental Health, Division of Developmental Disabilities at the St. Louis Regional Center for over 27 years in positions ranging from case manager to agency director. She also held several positions for the Division of Developmental Disabilities Central Office as the State Eligibility Coordinator and Director of Children’s Service. Having retired from the State in 2015, she went back to work as the Project Director for the DMH SAMSHA grant, System of Care-Community for Early Signs and Symptoms.

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John had experience in customer service, but not in social services. He began working with people with developmental disabilities in order to share time and interest with his wife, who works in the field. John quickly came to have his own appreciation and understanding of the people he served. He had curiosity, insight, and perspective that allowed him to form unique and meaningful relationships. Before long, John began capturing his impressions on canvas. AADD commissioned John to illustrate programs that AADD offers, and we were fortunate to receive five pieces over the years, one of which is depicted on the cover page of this program. These paintings capture the movement, personality and essence of those we serve, as only could be accomplished by one who knows and cares about this population.
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