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# Perspectives From Those Living w Developmental

#### by Sharon Jodock-King, William Reeves, & Chuck Goodwin

In this 6-hour, 6 CE presentation the presenters and guests provide what is, if not unprecedented a most certainly rare experience: interpretations of life, liberty, and the pursuit of a life with meaning from individuals with developmental disabilities.

Actor, activist, artist, producer of film and video, and self-advocate Dianne Laurine was also a veteran presenter/trainer. Her videos have been used by agencies across the country as part of orientation and training for new residential support staff. Selected works from her catalogue combined with discussion, in-person and recorded interviews reveal what truly lie beyond the label.

Whether you are inexperienced in this work, a field veteran, a person with a developmental disability or their parent or sibling you will leave this event with a broader understanding of what it means to be 'human', and, perhaps, a clearer understanding of the necessity to find 'meaning' in 'living'.

These stories, interviews, and videos allow you an up-close and personal opportunity to 'see the person' as they demonstrate that disability does not diminish our desire to 'be me', and the raw strength of that desire to overcome the barriers of one's disability to simply 'be who I am', and recognized as a valued, contributing member of one's community.

This is an interactive event. Feel free to engage directly with the trainers at any time.

### About the Trainer(s)

Chuck Goodwin is a 40 year veteran of the field. Chuck has played a key role in the development of our Positive Behavior Support Model, the Developmental Disabilities Specialty Training, and has authored multiple trainings on employment, integration, communication, and meaningful interaction. He provides consulting and training services across the State, is one of three individuals certified to provide Developmental Disabilities Specialty Training Statewide, and still works on the front line as a Direct Service Professional.

Dianne's partner in life and work, William Reeves is also a Direct Support Professional. Through his relationship with Dianne he experienced the field not just on the 'front line' but on the 'leading edge'. As Dianne's support, confident, and frequent co-conspirator Bill's first-hand accounts reveal not only the daily struggle of 'a person with a disability', but the internal struggle to be simply 'a person'. His insights reveal the connection between this internal struggle and her uncompromising efforts to evolve a system whose values respect and uplift the individual but whose mechanisms of service delivery often fall short of this ideal.

Sharon Jodock-King and Alan King are featured special guests for these events. Sharon and Alan were life-long friends of Dianne and appeared in many of her productions. Activists and Self-Advocates in their own right Sharon and Alan have received national attention and recognition for their advocacy work for Disability Rights.

#### Date/Time & Location

Jan 16, 2020 WECU Ferndale Ed Ctr

5659 Barrett Road, Ferndale, WA 98248 9 AM – 4 PM

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