

**Southern Ontario Training Group  
Rygiel Supports For Community Living**  
are co-sponsoring an

**Introductory PASSING Workshop**

Dates and times: Starting, Monday, November 14, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. sharp  
Ending, Friday, November 18, 2016 at approximately 1:30 p.m.

Location: Homewood Suites  
40 Bay Street South  
Hamilton, ON  
L8P 0B3

FEE: \$525.00 until September 30, 2016

**Description of Workshop:** PASSING workshops are designed to enable participants who have previously attended a three or four day Social Role Valorization (SRV) workshop to gain a deeper understanding of devaluation and of how the promotion of valued roles can enable people who are disabled or devalued to experience “the good things of life”. The workshop is directed towards people in human services who are interested in bringing about change. Participation is welcome from service users, family members, human service workers/managers, students, advocates, volunteers & board members. **Previous attendance at a three or four day SRV workshop is a prerequisite for this event.**

In this workshop, participants are organized into teams of approximately six people plus a team leader, who has had previous PASSING experience. During the course of the workshop the teams each visit and analyze two different human service programs (e.g. a group residence, school program, adult day support programs, etc.). Each site visit includes a lengthy interview with the program managers along with time spent meeting the service users and observing the program. Following this, the team engages in a lengthy and depthful process through which they seek to understand how the program is experienced by the service users and how various aspects of the program contribute (or impede) the development of valued social roles, through social image enhancement and personal competency enhancement. At the final plenary session, team leaders share their teams' findings with the larger group, enabling all participants to more fully appreciate some of the broader issues pertaining to services for devalued people. This final session provides an opportunity to clarify PASSING issues, to share experiences and to provide feedback about the workshop and its potential impact.

This workshop is very intensive. It begins on Monday at 8:00 a.m. sharp with an overview of the PASSING application guidelines and team preparation for the site visits. The first site visit begins after this morning session. Teams return in the evening and then spend 2-3 hours doing their individual ratings. The focus of the second day is a lengthy "conciliation" session wherein each PASSING rating is analyzed and discussed until the team reaches a consensus on the service's performance, a process that is likely to extend into the late evening. The third day begins with a second site visit, followed by individual ratings, and the start of the conciliation process, again working into the late evening. Conciliation of the second site concludes on Thursday by dinner time. The team meets on the final morning to reflect on their workshop experience and to discuss what other SRV events they might want to participate in. The workshop ends after the final plenary session on Friday, by early afternoon.

PASSING workshops require an intense commitment of time and energy. Participants should arrive well rested and plan to forego all outside involvements during the workshop. They are expected to have read the PASSING Ratings Manual prior to the workshop. They must be present by 8 a.m. on the first day and must be fully present and participating throughout the workshop, including all evening sessions, with their team. It should be noted that while past PASSING participants report that these are among the most demanding workshops they have attended, they rarely express dissatisfaction and, in fact, appreciate the workshop's rigor and high level of engagement.

During this training groups are involved in visiting sites on Monday November 14, in the afternoon and on Wednesday November 16 in the morning. If you are able to drive some of your group members (2 to 4) people at this time to the sites (all local) please indicate below if you are able to and the days.

- Yes I can drive on Monday** and can take \_\_\_ people, including myself
- Yes I can drive on Wednesday** and can take \_\_\_ people, including myself

THE WORKSHOP LEADERS

Judith Sandys (Senior Trainer): Judith's 35 + years of experience with Social Role Valorization have included teaching, research and consulting. Judith, who recently retired from the Ryerson School of Social Work, is a member of the Southern Ontario Training Group, the North American Social Role Valorization Council, and the Editorial Board of the SRV Journal. She has been organizing and leading PASSING workshops for about two decades.

Peg Jenner (Floater). Peg Jenner has been teaching Social Role Valorization for 25 years in a variety of formats. Since her retirement from Centennial College (2013), she has consulted with organizations regarding SRV training and implementation. Peg is a member of both the Southern Ontario Training Group and the North American SRV Council.

*Please contact Kathleen Barrett at [kbarrett@rygiel.ca](mailto:kbarrett@rygiel.ca) for any questions regarding this workshop.*

WORKSHOP SPACE IS LIMITED SO REGISTER EARLY!

**PASSING 2016: REGISTRATION FORM**

Monday, November 14, 2016, to Friday, November 18, 2016

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency affiliation (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ Role/Position \_\_\_\_\_

FEES: Enclosed:  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$525 (if received on or before September 30, 2016)  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$575 (if received after September 30, 2016)

**ACCOMODATION**

You are responsible for arranging and paying for your own accommodation and food. We will provide a list of nearby hotels and information.

**PASSING BOOK ORDER FORM**

Participants **MUST** bring to the workshop a copy of the PASSING Ratings Manual, 3rd (revised) Edition, published in 2007, with the gold cover. To order a manual, please provide the following information and include the amount along with your registration fee. You must read this manual before the workshop, so order early. Be sure to include your postal code.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of books: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$60.00 each (including postage) = \_\_\_\_\_

**CANCELLATION POLICY FOR WORKSHOP REGISTRATION**

- Because of the time, energy and cost involved in organizing sites for a PASSING workshop, we cannot issue refunds for cancellations made after September 30, 2016.
- For cancellations made by September 30, 2016, an administrative fee of \$50 will be charged.
- Registration is transferable to another person, provided such transfer is arranged by the original registrant, and the person to whom it is transferred has completed a prerequisite SRV course
- Refunds (minus the administration fee) may be issued if the space created by the cancellation is later filled by a full paying participant.

Workshop space is limited and on a first come first served basis. To confirm a space in this workshop, please send an email as soon as possible to Kathleen Barrett at [kbarrett@rygiel.ca](mailto:kbarrett@rygiel.ca) then, please forward registration and book order form with a cheque for all applicable fees **payable to: The Southern Ontario Training Group**

and mail to: SOTG C/O Rygiel Supports for Community Living  
200-1550 Upper James Street  
Hamilton, ON  
L9B 2L6

*Please initial: I consent to my contact information being distributed to other course participants: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_*

*Please check all that apply:*  Board Member  Service Worker  Service User  Family Member  Advocate  Student

*Please indicate: The date and location you attended an SRV workshop. \_\_\_\_\_*

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