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The Power of Roles: An Introduction to Social Role Valorization



WE INVITE YOU to take part in a brief but intensive one day training course which introduces participants to the principles of Social Role Valorization. Social Role Valorization (SRV) is a high -order framework for understanding the phenomenon of social devaluation, oppression, and marginalization of groups and classes of people within society. The principles explore the common life experiences, or wounds, of people living on the margins of society, or who have been outright abandoned and rejected, and the impacts of these wounds on individual people and on society. National leaders, advocates, practitioners, and families are finding it extraordinarily strenthening, helpful, and eye-opening.

Social Role Valorization is the successor theory to Normalization, and is based on the work of Dr. Wolf Wolfensberger. Normalization and SRV have been taught and used widely in the US, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and many parts of Europe for decades, and has served as a strong foundation for the de-institutionalization movement, the development of community services, family empowerment, citizen advocacy, and self-advocacy for people with disabilities. It has broad application across many fields of human services, and has been a powerful source of strength, guidance and inspiration for advocates, families, workers who have closely allied themselves with people with disabilities, government and NGO leaders, social change advocates and professionals. Those who complete this course will join a small but rapidly growing community of practice of those in India who find the ideas powerful, challenging, and useful in changing perception of disability, and changing the realities of life for many people in India. We plan to offer more intensive courses and mentoring for those who are impassioned and strengthened by the ideas.

This is a significant investment in the development of disability leadership. The course is intensive and serious, with lengthy presentations, small group practical work, and rigorous expectations for all participants. Arriving on time, staying the entire day, and fully engaging in this opportunity is respectfully requested of those who accept this invitation. Otherwise, please allow us to make the space available to others. Unfortunately, presentations will be conducted primarily in English, so excellent fluency in English is necessary. Next day (8th May) same workshop will be conducted in Hindi.

SRV theory has been introduced in India with a deep impact over the past three years - it is a social theory which provides a solid framework for understanding social devaluation of vulnerable people, and proposes powerful ways to open up possibilities for people to experience the good things of life. SRV has implications on the personal, family, community, and societal levels, and will strengthen effective change-agentry efforts.

Social Role Valorization Training Course is being offered as a certificate course and it will be marked as the day for leaders in disability practice in Dehradun. Registration fees and meals are paid for courtesy of the sponsors as a means to offer a significant contribution to learning within the feld.

> Date: 7 May. 2019. Time: 09:30 AM- 05:30 PM Registration starts at 09:00 AM

We start and end promptly. RSVP to Ms. Bindu Sengar at KII bsengar@keystonehumanservices.org +91-8130205985



