

SUDI CONFERENCE 2017

Isleta Resort & Casino

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

March 1 – WEDNESDAY

Reception 6:00-7:00 pm: Isleta Resort & Casino

March 2 – THURSDAY

8:00 am: Prayer

8:30 am: Conference Opening

9:15 -10:30 am: Session I — Empowerment through Employment.

- **Chair:** Anita Analla, VR Counselor, Laguna Acoma Connections, Laguna Department of Education
- Erlinda Seymour, VR Outreach Tech/Assistant/GCD Commissioner, Laguna Department of Education.
- Michael Martin, Job Coach/Job Developer, Laguna Department of Education.

10:45 am - 12:00 pm: Session II - Social Integration and Economic Self-Sufficiency

- **Chair:** Susan Gray, Chairwoman Governor's Commission on Disability, state of New Mexico.
- Lisa McNiven and Daniel Fernandez, New Mexico's Governor's Commission on Disability; "Physical Access to Health Services for Persons with Disabilities."

12:15 – 1:00 pm: Luncheon - Key Note Speaker

Susanne Bruyere, Professor of Disability Studies and Director K.Lisa Yang and Hock E. Tan Institute on Employment and Disability, ILR School, Cornell University.

2:00 – 3:15 pm: Session III - Global Citizenship & Disability

- **Chair:** Susan Iliff (MA, OTR/L);
- Hannah Bloom (MOTR/L); Susan Iliff (MA, OTR/L); Heidi Sanders (MA, OTR/L); and Kathleen “Mo” Taylor (OTR/L), UNM; “Fostering Global Citizenship Through International Fieldwork.”
- Juliann Anesi, U.C. Berkeley, Gender & Women’s Studies Department; “Indigeneity, Ableism, and Meanings of Disability.”

3:30 – 4:45 pm: Session IV – Indigenous Peoples with Disabilities: Designing Inclusive, Equitable, Strategies and Policies

- **Chair: Dr. Vivian Delgado**, Assistant Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, Bemidji State University
- Vivian Delgado, Assistant Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, Bemidji State University; “Cystic Fibrosis and Indigenous People: designing Strategies and Policies to address Disability Issues in Indigenous Communities.”
- Renée Ahmadi, University of Northern British Columbia, “Exploring and Redefining Home Visitability with the SCianew and Esquimalt Nations.”

March 3 – FRIDAY

8:30 – 9:15 am: Session I – Balancing the Earth

- **Chair:** Raul Gouvea, Professor Anderson School of Management, UNM
- Dr. Eric Cheyfitz, Ernest I. White Professor of American Studies and Humane Letters, Cornell University. “What is A Just Society? Native American Philosophies and the Limits of Capitalism’s Imagination.”

9:30 – 10:45 am: Session II – A Full Range of Employment Options: From Social Enterprises to Supported Employment & Ticket to Work.

- **Chair:** Jill Beets, Vice-President of Marketing and Communications, Adelante Development Center
- Melinda Garcia and Ken Williams, Adelante’s Supported Employment and Ticket Programs.

11:00 am - 12:15 pm: Session III - Vocational Rehabilitation

- **Chair:** Dr. Susanne Bruyere, Professor of Disability Studies and Director, K.Lisa Yang and Hock E. Tan Institute on Employment and Disability, ILR School, Cornell University.
- Treva Roanhorse, former Canar President, The Navajo Nation OSERS; “American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation and Navajo Vocational Rehabilitation.”
- Kathleen West-Evans, MPA, CRC, Director of Business Relations National Employment Team (NET). Council of State Administrators of Vocational Rehabilitation (skype Presentation).

12:30 - 1:15 pm: Luncheon Key Note Speaker

*Treva Roanhorse, former Canar President, The Navajo Nation OSERS;
“American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation and Navajo Vocational
Rehabilitation.”*

**2:00 – 3:15 pm: Session IV - Veterans: Disability and Employment
Opportunities and Strategies.**

- **Chair: David Powless**, President, Mountain Chief Institute
- Kathy Nelsen, Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Officer,
Albuquerque VBA Regional Office
- Colleen Rondell, NM State Veteran Home Administration

**3:30 – 4:45 pm: Session V - Round Table: A Tribal Government
Perspective on Disability and Employment**

- **Chair: Marvis Aragon**, Former New Mexico’s Deputy Secretary of
Indian Affairs

5:00 pm: SUDI 2017 Closing Ceremony