

14TH ANNUAL TRAVELING MINI-CONFERENCE 2021

Parent Leadership & Advocacy Conference

A New Beginning!

Program Agenda

Saturday, May 8, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. **Introductions and Welcome** Rosie Rowe, Executive Director
Leadership in Disabilities & Achievement of Hawai'i
A special tribute to Susan Okamura

10:20 a.m. - 10:50 a.m.



Keynote Speaker, Linda Lambrecht

Linda is the last deaf child of six siblings. She has three hearing sisters and 3 deaf brothers. Born in Hawai'i in November 1944. She graduated from Hawai'i School for the Deaf and Blind in 1963 and attended Gallaudet University. She is a Deaf Intermediary Interpreter and teaches Hawaii Sign Language on ZOOM. Linda's personal accomplishments and experiences have inspired parents and families of children who are deaf and hard of hearing. She will inspire the audience today!

10:55 a.m. - 12:25 p.m. Breakout Sessions

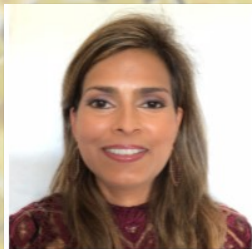
Breakout 1: Designing A Supportive IEP - Finding Common Grounds for Optimal Teams, by Rosie Rowe
Parents and schools should be given expanded opportunities to resolve their disagreements in positive and constructive ways. By using a model of support that identifies meaningful participation, build's a foundation, provides actions steps, school teams can impact student success.

Breakout 2: Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities and Dementia by Dr. Ritabelle Fernandes
Dr. Fernandes will cover Dementia Basics and the risk of Alzheimer's disease for persons aging with an intellectual disabilities (ID), especially Down syndrome. She will describe the unique challenges of diagnosing dementia in adults with ID, as well as how to manage care in the ID population living with dementia.

Breakout 3: Using Strategic Storytelling to Build Transition Plans for Students with Disabilities
by Dr. Patricia Morrissey: *Hawai'i has a strong tradition of storytelling. It is used to educate, persuade, build coalitions, and bring about desired change. Stories have legs. Dr. Morrissey has shared the value of strategic storytelling across the country and in foreign lands. She describe how, where and why it is done resulting in the desired impact.*



Rosie Rowe,
Executive Director, LDAH



Dr. Ritabelle Fernandes



Dr. Patricia Morrissey



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Exhibitors

12:30 to 1:00 p.m.

Maui Economic Opportunity, Inc.

Lanai Youth Center

Waianae Coast Early Childhood Services

Sounding Joy Music Therapy

Never Quit Dreaming

Read to Me International

Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies

Child & Family Services-Parent Line

Mental Health America

Big Island Disability Network

University of Hawaii, Kinesiology & Rehabilitation Science

International Dyslexia Association, Hawai'i Branch (HIDA)

Community Case Management Corp

Special Needs Hawai'i

1:05 - 1:40 p.m.



Closing Keynote Speaker, Jennifer L. Luke-Payne

Jennifer was born and raised on Hawai'i island in the town of Kohala. She is a proud graduate of Kohala High and Elementary school. At the age of 10 she was eligible for special education services under the category specific learning disability. She found school very difficult in almost every way. Despite her deficits she found ways to turn her disability into her ability. She earned her Bachelors of Science Degree in special education from Brigham Young University Hawaii and her Masters Degree in Education Administration from University of Manoa. She is currently the Principal at Kaaawa Elementary school, and has been for 10 years.

1:45 - 2:00 p.m.

Closing Remarks - Mahalo!

Dedicated to Susan Okamura, A Champion for Parents and Families of Children and Youth with Disabilities.

Mahalo to our Presenters, Exhibitors and Guests for sharing their time, expertise, knowledge and resources with our community!

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