

2007 Speaker Series

Introducing a speaker series for consumers, families, and direct support professionals sponsored by Elwyn Delaware in cooperation with the University of Delaware's Center for Disabilities Studies

Understanding Grief and Loss for Persons with Cognitive Disabilities

Date: Wednesday, March 14, 2007 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Location: Center for Disabilities Studies, 461 Wyoming Road, Newark

Speaker: Jeffrey Kaufman, LCSW, Certified Grief Therapist, and Author

Who should attend: Consumers, Families & Direct Support Professionals

In this interactive and insightful program, you will discover the importance of validating feelings of grief and loss for persons with cognitive disabilities. The grief process for persons with cognitive disabilities is no less powerful, complex, subtle, disturbing, deep, and spiritual.

- Understand the diverse expressions of grief in persons with cognitive and developmental disabilities
- Recognize and conceptualize loss and mourning in persons with cognitive and developmental disabilities
- Develop an awareness of the significance of loss in the life experience of persons with cognitive and developmental disabilities

Jeffrey Kaufman, author of *Guidebook on Helping Persons with Mental Retardation Mourn*, presents a valuable and compassionate guide to understanding individuals with developmental disabilities as they experience death and grief.

Refreshments will be served.



REGISTRATION

For more information or to register call, call Jan Domenic at 302-658-8860 or email at jan_domenic@elwyn.org