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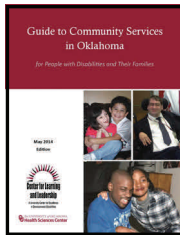
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New Edition of "Guide to Community Services" Available



The Center for Learning and Leadership has an updated edition of the "Guide to Community Services in Oklahoma" available to view, print, and download at www.ouhsc.edu/thecenter/products. Hard copies are available by contacting Melissa Fenrick at melissa-fenrick@ouhsc.edu or (405) 271-4500, ext. 41002.

The updated edition is more condensed with new formatting and information, including a section for Oklahoma respite voucher programs. The original version is still available on our website at the link above, as is the mobile version.

CLL Website Survey — We Need Your Feedback!

The Center for Learning and Leadership wants your feedback about our website. We count on your opinions and suggestions to help us keep our website user-friendly and helpful. Throughout the past year we have added new information to our website in our "News and Events" section and the "Director's Desk." We also have posted videos of Oklahoma families sharing their perspectives in the "Videos" section.



Please visit our website at www.ouhsc.edu/thecenter and let us know what you think about those and other features by taking our short survey available at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CLLWebSurvey14>. Please complete the survey by **June 30**.

Keynote Speakers Announced for 2014 SABE Conference in Oklahoma City



The national SABE Conference is coming to Oklahoma City on **October 9-12, 2014**. The keynote speakers are **Gary Guller** and **the Pearce Brothers**. For more information about the conference or to register, visit muconf.missouri.edu/sabe2014/.

Gary Guller

Gary Guller is a world-renowned, record-setting mountaineer. Gary lost the use of his arm in a mountaineering accident. In 2003, he was leader of the largest cross-disability group to reach Mount Everest Base Camp at 17,500 feet. He went on to become the first person with one arm to reach the summit of Mount Everest. Gary uses his experiences to speak about the importance of equality, determination, team work, and integrity. Visit www.garyguller.com for more information.

The Pearce Brothers

While training to compete at the 2010 Winter Olympics, Kevin Pearce suffered a traumatic brain injury from a snowboarding accident in 2009. His tight-knit Vermont family flew to his side, and together they began an intensive rehabilitation process. Kevin's determination and the tireless support of family and friends kept him focused on recovery. He now advocates for individuals with disabilities with his brother, David, who has Down syndrome. To view a trailer of the film, *The Crash Reel*, about Kevin's journey to recovery, visit thecrashreel.com.

Learn & Lead

Vision

All people with disabilities and their families are valued participants in community life.

Mission

Partners making a positive difference in the lives of people with disabilities and their families through learning and leadership.

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Bonnie McBride Selected as Act Early Ambassador

The Center for Learning and Leadership would like to congratulate Bonnie McBride, Ph.D., on being named an Act Early Ambassador by the Association of University Centers on Disabilities (AUCD), the National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities (NCBDDD)/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and the Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB)/Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). Bonnie is Oklahoma's Act Early team leader, as well as an Associate Professor in the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center. Additionally, Bonnie is Core Faculty in autism within the Oklahoma LEND program and the Director of Early Foundations.

The CDC's national Act Early program works to improve early identification of autism and other developmental disabilities. Act Early Ambassadors will serve as a point-of-contact for the national Act Early program; support the work of state Act Early teams; and promote Act Early resources, including materials to support developmental monitoring. For more information about the Ambassadors, visit www.aucd.org/template/news.cfm?news_id=10105&id=17. For more information about the Act Early program, visit cdc.gov/actearly.


MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- June 24:** Self-Advocates Becoming Empowered (SABE) Conference fundraiser, S & B's Burger Joint, 20 N.W. 9th St., Oklahoma City, OK, 11 a.m.-close
Tell your waiter you're there to support the SABE Conference.
- July 4:** Sensory Sensitive 4th of July Celebration
Hey Day, I-35 and Indian Hills Rd., Norman, OK
For more information, call (405) 310-3500 or e-mail cathy@heydayfamilyfun.com.
- Aug. 16-17:** Remote Area Medical — Free Dental, Vision, and Medical Clinic
State Fairgrounds, 3001 General Pershing Blvd, Oklahoma City, OK
Visit ramusa.org for more information.

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