



Vermont Conversion Institute II: *A Time for Change...*

Due to the success and feedback from our first Vermont Conversion Institute, we have decided to host again this fall. We will continue our dialogue on creating a culture of inclusion for people with disabilities as we convert sheltered workshops to community-based programs. We'll be expanding our presentations to represent other great work occurring around the country.

Dates: October 8 & 9, 2009

Registration Fee: \$400.00 per person: includes materials, meals, and [Lake Champlain Dinner Cruise](#). Some scholarships may be available.

Location: [Hilton Burlington](#), 60 Battery Street, Burlington, Vermont, 05401
Reservations: 1-800-HILTONS (800-445-8667) Fax: 1-802-658-4659

Overlooking scenic [Lake Champlain](#) and the Adirondack Mountains, the hotel is walking distance to the Lakefront Boardwalk and [Church Street Marketplace](#) and many other [Vermont Attractions](#). We've secured a room rate of \$169.00 per night. Ask for the Vermont APSE room block (**Reservations must be made by September 17, 2009**). [Burlington International Airport](#) is a 10-minute drive from the hotel.

Contact: For additional information call 802-656-1345 or email: bryan.dague@uvm.edu

Space is limited so please register early.

Some Background:

In 2002, Vermont closed its last sheltered workshop for people with developmental disabilities. Vermont Senator Jim Jeffords noted, "As we close this chapter on work centers in Vermont, I hope that we encourage others to follow Vermont's lead to a place where all of us work side by side."

We invite you to join us this fall as we examine the issues of policy change, training, and culture-shift needed to foster the closure of sheltered workshops while building community-based employment services. State policy makers, Developmental Services Directors, Vocational Rehabilitation Directors, and Advocates are encouraged to attend. State teams are also encouraged.

2009 Vermont Conversion Institute Registration

Send registration form with check payable to Vermont APSE by September 24, 2009 to:

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Special Accommodations (please request by September 17, 2009):

For more information visit: www.vermontapse.org

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