

2023 Community Conference on Neurodiversity Employment

September 21, 2023

Stanford University Redwood City Campus

In-person and virtual registration are both available.



 Stanford School of Medicine

Connect neurodiverse individuals, family members, job coaches, and employers.

Showcase a specialized curriculum to help job coaches, family members, and employers to work with individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD)/neurodiverse individuals.



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Program at a Glance (Virtual Attendance)

- 9:00 AM – 9:15 AM: Welcome by Lawrence Fung, MD, PhD, Director of Stanford Neurodiversity Project ([Zoom Link 1](#))
- 9:15 AM – 9:45 AM: Keynote presentation "**Cultivating a Neurodiverse Workforce**" by Nancy Bargmann, Director of California Department of Developmental Services ([Zoom Link 1](#))
- 9:45 AM – 10:15 AM: Keynote presentation "**Statewide Initiatives to Support Employment for People with Developmental Disabilities**" by Ernie Cruz, Deputy Director of California Department of Developmental Services ([Zoom Link 1](#))
- 10:15 AM – 10:30 AM: Break
- 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM: **DIVERSE, an Innovative Curriculum Developed by the Neurodiverse Community.** Lawrence Fung, MD, PhD, Lyrid Zhao, PhD, and Rachel Vandaalen, PhD, Stanford University ([Zoom Link 1](#))
- 11:30 AM – 12:00 PM: Keynote Presentation "**Advancing Access, Equity and Opportunity**" by Mark Erlichman, Deputy Director of California Department of Rehabilitation ([Zoom Link 1](#))
- 12:00 PM – 1:15 PM: Lunch Break
- 1:15 PM – 2:00 PM: **Regional Center Directors' Keynote Panel** - Eric Zigman (GGRC), Javier Zaldivar (SARC), Lisa Kleinbub (RCEB) ([Zoom Link 1](#))
- 2:00 PM – 2:45 PM: Networking Break ([Zoom Link 3](#))
- 2:45 PM – 3:30 PM: Concurrent Breakout Sessions 1
Neurodivergent Panel – Dashiell Meier, Fred Vierra, Heather Satterwhite, Matias Solorzano, Max Crowe, Niamh Tangney ([Zoom Link 1](#))
Employer Panel – Chris Marino, Kathleen Foley-Hughes, and Sherry Meng ([Zoom Link 2](#))
- 3:30 PM – 4:15 PM: Concurrent Breakout Sessions 2
Job Coach Panel – Angela Lucero Perry, Heather Linka, Gregory Garoppolo, Rob Kiel ([Zoom Link 1](#))
Parent Panel – Keith Parekh, Victoria Gersowsky, Viviana Barnwell ([Zoom Link 2](#))
- 4:15 PM – 4:30 PM: Closing ([Zoom Link 1](#))