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Keynote & Plenary Speakers



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CONFERENCE PROGRAM

- 8:00 AM** **CHECK-IN AND NETWORKING**
- 9:00 AM** **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**
RICHARD PIMENTEL
MILT WRIGHT AND ASSOCIATES
- 10:15 AM** **MORNING FOCUS SESSIONS**
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- 11:25 AM** **PLENARY SESSION 1**
IRENE WALELA **BRENDA PREMO**
DEPARTMENT OF *WESTERN UNIVERSITY*
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- 12:15 PM** **LUNCH**
- 1:30 PM** **AFTERNOON FOCUS SESSIONS**
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- 2:40 PM** **PLENARY SESSION 2**
RICHARD DEVYLDER *RET.*
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ON EMERGENCY SERVICES
- 3:20 PM** **PLENARY SESSION 3**
KAMILAH MARTIN-PROCTOR
NATIONAL COUNCIL ON DISABILITY
- 4:15 PM** **CLOSING REMARKS**

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MORNING FOCUS SESSIONS

Advocacy

Social Ramps: Applying Universal Design to Social Environments

The ADA guaranteed Americans physical accessibility and reasonable accommodations, but what about social access? This session will discuss how societal norms can evolve to make our culture more accessible for everyone.

Presenter: Dr. Jeff McNair, California Baptist University

Education

The Differences in Disability Services Between K-12 and College

More children with disabilities than ever are attending college. Learn the difference between disability services in K-12 and college. This session will focus on the services, accommodations and assistive technology available in higher education.

Presenter: Dennis Cambara, La Sierra University

Emergency Preparedness

Inland Empire Counties Response to Public Health Disasters

One in five Americans has a disability, but what plans do our counties have in place when a disaster hits? This session will focus on Riverside and San Bernardino Counties strategies for preparing for emergencies for special populations.

**Presenters: James Atkins, Riverside County Emergency Preparedness and Response Branch
Claudia Doyle, County of San Bernardino Preparedness and Response Program**

Employment

The ADA and Discrimination in the Workplace

The EEOC enforces Title I of the ADA, prohibiting workplace discrimination against people with disabilities. This session will focus on the general overview of the laws enforced by the EEOC. Leave with the knowledge of your employment rights and your protections under the ADA.

Presenter: David Zevallos, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission



25 Years of the ADA: Finding the Music Within

Richard Pimentel never took no for an answer. This session will focus on the life and accomplishments of Dr. Pimentel and how his determination resulted in jobs for millions deemed “unemployable”.

Presenter: Dr. Richard Pimentel, Milt Wright & Associates Inc.

Health

Treatments for Epilepsy Before and After the ADA

Alternative and adjunct treatment options available for people with epilepsy have come a long way. This session will focus on alternative/adjunct therapies and safety devices for epilepsy, the historical application of treatments, and risks/rewards of treatments.

Presenter: Meghan Kennedy, Epilepsy Education Everywhere

Social Services

Benefits of Community Based Services for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities

Currently 1 in 8 Americans are older adults and systems presently in place are not prepared for the increase in seniors. This session will focus on the benefits of community based services for seniors and persons with disabilities.

Presenter: Maria Zamora-Hughes, Innovage

Protecting Your House from Medi-Cal Estate Recovery

Be prepared for the future. This session will focus on Medi-Cal estate recovery and how to protect your loved ones after you are gone.

Presenter: Esther Wang, Attorney at Law



AFTERNOON FOCUS SESSIONS

Advocacy

ADA WHY??? The Deaf and the Label of Disability

What does it mean to be labeled as having a disability? This session will focus on the complexity of the disability label and the difficulty of maneuvering within the perimeters of disability legislation without having to sacrifice dignity or positive self-image.

Presenters: Ian Barraza, Model Deaf Community

Lisa Price, Center on Deafness Inland Empire

Will the Real Service Animal, Please Step Forward?

What constitutes a service animal? This session will focus on defining a service animal under the ADA, dispelling myths about service animals and their handlers, and understanding the laws that protect both of them.

Presenters: Lisa Hayes, Molina Healthcare

Danica Lusser, Molina Healthcare

Education

Discover How Innovative Abilities Trump Learning Disabilities

Learning disabilities constitute many different things and many different ways of learning. This session will focus on laying out strategies that help students who have learning disabilities tap hidden abilities for academic success.

Presenter: Dr. Gregory Richardson, Azusa Pacific University

Employment

Integrated Competitive Employment (ICE) for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

Integrated Competitive Employment for people with I/DD is a goal for many. This session will focus on the rights of individuals with significant disabilities to pursue integrated and competitive employment and where to turn for help when issues arise.

Presenter: Ivan Guillen, Disability Rights California

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Health

Functional Electrical Stimulation (FES) Ergometry: Implications in the Clinical and Home Settings

FES enables muscles to work and perform activities even though the muscles may be weak or paralyzed. This session will focus on how FES powered systems are used with people with neurologic impairments to improve overall health, improve functional outcomes, and the research that supports this technology.

Presenter: Stephanie Betts, Restorative Therapies

Technology

Wheelchair Accessible Vehicles: New and Affordable Options

Transportation for people with disabilities can sometimes be difficult. This session will focus on how new vehicular options are increasing the choices and, in some cases, reducing the cost of accessible personal transportation.

Presenter: Ralph Megna, Chairiot Mobility

Transportation

Find the Right Ride: Transportation for People with Disabilities and Older Adults

Without the ADA Valley Transportation Services would not exist. This session will focus on transportation options for people with disabilities and older adults and the need for coordination of transportation services with social services, public agencies, and providers.

Presenter: Kimberly Perez, Valley Transportation Services



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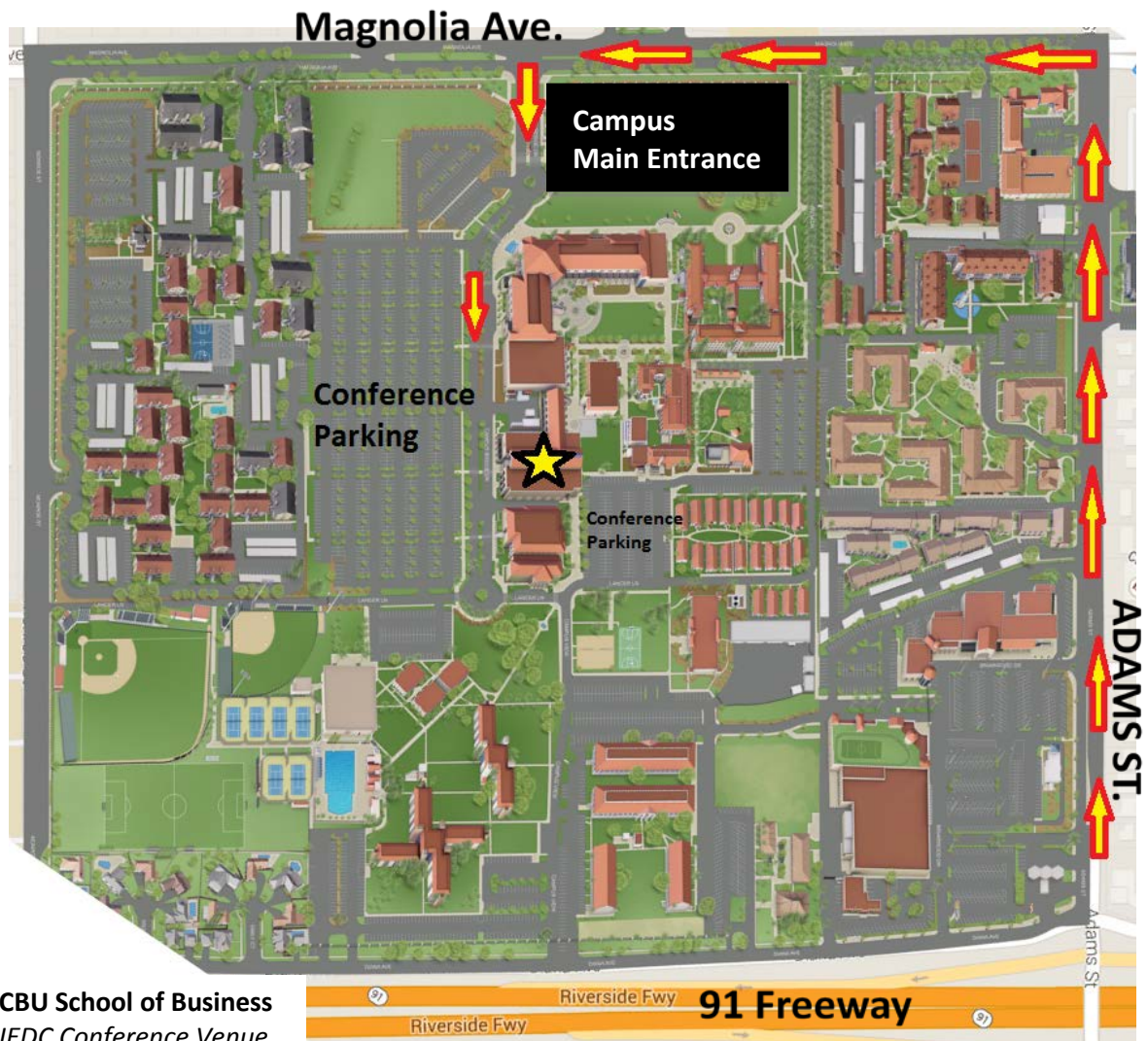
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