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Division of Vocational Rehabilitation to Host Training Conference Oct. 9-11 in Bismarck

Seven-time Paralympic Medalist Muffy Davis to deliver closing keynote presentation

BISMARCK, N.D. - The N.D. Department of Human Services' Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, which provides employment services to people with disabilities and businesses, will host a training conference Oct. 9-11, 2013, at the Best Western Ramkota Hotel in Bismarck.

The conference will provide learning opportunities in the areas of ethics, motivational interviewing, technology devices for people with vision or hearing loss, eye diseases, and more.

Seven-time Paralympic Medalist and motivational speaker, Muffy Davis, will deliver the closing keynote presentation on overcoming challenges and achieving personal success no matter the circumstances.

Another highlight of the conference includes an awards luncheon on Oct. 9 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. where eight North Dakota businesses will be honored for their support of employment opportunities for people with disabilities.

"North Dakota has the highest employment rate for people with disabilities in the nation," said Russ Cusack, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation director. "This conference celebrates employment success for people with disabilities and the businesses that contribute to that success, and also provides an enrichment opportunity for professionals who are instrumental in helping people with disabilities achieve success in the workplace."

For information about Vocational Rehabilitation services, visit www.nd.gov/dhs/dvr/index.html or call 701-328-8950, toll free 800-755-2745, or TTY 701-328-8968.

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