

Taking Charge: Meaningfully Engaging and Doing Well by Community Support Workers A Three- Part Seminar Series by Judith McGill

Laying a Strong Foundation for Engaging Workers: Community Support Workers are critical to helping some of the "good things" happen in people's lives. Before starting the interview process, it is important to consider as a family what you are trying to accomplish and what is needed at this time to help you define the essential roles the Community Support Worker can play.

- What are the person's needs and interests?
- Creating a profile to find the right match
- Clarifying a Community Support Worker's role
- What qualities you are looking for in a Candidate
- Evaluating your recruitment strategies

The Art of Interviewing: The interview process can help you to screen for both suitable and/or unsuitable candidates. It can be designed to assist you to learn a lot about the candidate during the interview process before making a commitment to engage them. In this hands-on workshop you will learn about interviewing dynamics, discover many tips and practice conversational interviewing techniques.

- How do I interview?
- Who do I interview?
- What questions do I ask?
- How do I know if I have 'good match'?

Supporting and Keeping Community Support Workers: It is essential that you find someone to engage who is a good fit for your son or daughter and your family. However, engaging a worker well is never enough. It is critically important to consider what it takes to effectively orient and train a new Community Support Worker in order to retain them once they have started work. This workshop will focus on what it takes to build a mutually satisfying and productive relationship with Support Workers over time.

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