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Individuals with disabilities are up to 10 times more likely to be abused than their peers without disabilities. Ninety percent of women with I/DD will experience some form of sexual abuse during their lifetime. In the United States, the rate of sexual violence for those with an intellectual disability is five times higher than for those without any disability. These startling statistics show how prevalent sexual assault is within the I/DD population, making it necessary that those working with this group have an understanding of how to respond to these situations.

Registration fee: \$40 (\$30 without CEUs)

This training will provide an overview of the ways people with I/DD are impacted by a history of sexual trauma, risk factors that contribute to the prevalence of sexual abuse associated with people with I/DD, the benefits of an interdisciplinary approach in supporting people with I/DD, and resources to support individuals with I/DD and sexual trauma.

Presented by Tracy A. Higgins, MA, LPC and sponsored by Employment Horizons. Tracy A. Higgins specializes in sexual trauma and abuse prevention for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD). Ms. Higgins has worked as a therapist for the past 10 years and is responsible for the development of specialized services for survivors of sexual violence and at risk adolescents and adults with I/DD.

This program has been pre-approved by the CRCC for two clock hours.

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