



Perkins Training Center & New England Consortium of Deafblind Projects



Parent/Professional Series
Genetics & Visual Disorders
"Meg Hefner & David Brown: Together Again"
**A Day of Genetics and Thoughts on Education of Children with
CHARGE Syndrome**

**Saturday, December 3, 2011
9:00am – 4:00pm**

This full day workshop will be conducted by Meg Hefner, Genetic Counselor and David Brown, Educational Consultant/Specialist, leading authorities in the area of CHARGE Syndrome and enhance the participant's basic understanding the genetics of CHARGE syndrome and the impact on self regulation and availability for learning

Meg Hefner has been a genetic counselor for 30 years, most of those working on CHARGE syndrome. She was an author of the Booklet for Families and the Management Manual for Parents and was editor of the American Journal of Medical Genetics special issue on CHARGE and the 2010 book on CHARGE Syndrome from Plural Publishing. Meg was a founding member of the CHARGE Syndrome Foundation and continues as a Special Advisor to the Board and chair of the Research Committee

David Brown has been a teacher and educational consultant for students with Deafblindness in England and California for 39 years. Particular areas of expertise with children with CHARGE syndrome include Early Intervention, assessment for students with multisensory issues, and in the collaborative interface between education and therapy. David has published training manuals for university training programs as well as articles for journals and other education and medical publications.

Where: Perkins School for the Blind
Grousbeck Center for Students and Technology
175 North Beacon Street, Watertown, MA 02472

Cost: **FREE for Parents** (includes mileage reimbursement)
\$50.00 for Professionals

Learner Outcomes: Participants in this workshop will increase knowledge in:

- Clinical and Genetic Diagnoses of CHARGE Syndrome
- Medical & Behavioral Implications for Children with CHARGE Syndrome
- Implications and strategies for effective educational programs

Space is limited.

Please submit registration and fee made payable to:
Perkins School for the Blind; Perkins Training Center, 175 North Beacon Street, Watertown, MA
02472 by **Monday, November 21, 2011**

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Email: PerkinsTrainingCenter@Perkins.org Phone: 617-972-7712 Fax: 617-972-7209
Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:00pm

REGISTRATION

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Return registration form and payment to PTC by November 21, 2011

Name: _____

Address: _____

Street:

City:

State:

Zip: _____

Primary Phone: (h)(w)(c) _____

Secondary: (h)(w)(c) _____

Email: _____

Position: _____

School: _____

District/Organization: _____

Please indicate accommodations required:

Braille: _____

Large Print: _____

Interpreter: _____

Other: _____

Age of student(s) & Vision Status: _____

How did you hear about this workshop? _____

Please indicate all that apply:

6 Professional Development Points

6 ACVREP CE Hours

6 Continuing Education Hours

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175 NORTH BEACON STREET
Watertown, MA 02472**

Checks can be made out to Perkins School for the Blind.

Payment must be received and confirmed in order to secure your participation.

****Please Note: Confirmed participant refunds will not be given without a 48 hr notice of cancellation****