

**Southern Ontario Training Group (SOTG)**  
**Alice Saddy Association**  
**Community Living St. Marys & Area**  
**Participation House Support Services (London & Area)**

**Introductory PASSING Workshop**

Dates and times: Starting, Monday, November 13, 2017, registration at 7:30 a.m., **first session at 8:00 a.m. sharp.**  
Ending, Friday, November 17, 2017 at approximately 1:30 p.m.

Location: Homewood Suites by Hilton® London, Ontario  
45 Bessemer Road, London, ON, N6E 0A2

FEES: \$525.00 (until September 15, 2017)  
\$575.00 (after September 15, 2017)

**Description of Workshop:** PASSING workshops are designed to enable participants who have previously attended a four day Social Role Valorization (SRV) workshop to gain a deeper understanding of devaluation and of how the promotion of valued roles may enable people who are disabled or devalued to experience “the good things of life”. This workshop is directed at anyone who is interested in bringing about change. While most participants are involved in human services, participation is welcome from service users, family members, students, advocates, board members, and others.. **Please note that previous attendance at a four day SRV workshop is a prerequisite for this event.**

In this workshop, participants are organized into teams of approximately six people plus a team leader (who has had previous PASSING experience). Each team visits two different human service programs (e.g. a group residence, school program, adult day support program, etc.). These study visits include a lengthy interview with the program managers along with time spent meeting the service users and observing the program. Following this, the team engages in a lengthy and depthful process through which they seek to understand how the program is experienced by the service users and how various aspects of the program contribute (or impede) the development of valued social roles.

The workshop begins on **Monday at 8:00 a.m. sharp** with a plenary session that provides an overview of the PASSING process, after which the teams meet to prepare for the site visit. The first site visit begins after this meeting. Teams return in the early evening and then spend 2-3 hours doing their individual ratings. The second day begins with a lengthy discussion about the service recipients in the program visited, reflecting on their characteristics, life experiences, wounds, most important needs, etc, and thinking about the extent to which the program is or is not meeting these needs. (This is referred to as the "foundations discussion"). After this, each PASSING rating is discussed until the team reaches a consensus on the service's performance, a process ("conciliation") that is likely to extend into the very late evening. The third day begins with a second site visit, followed by individual ratings, the foundations discussion, and the start of the conciliation process, again working into the late evening. Conciliation of the second site concludes on Thursday by dinner time. Following the completion of each conciliation, the team spends some time reflecting on what they believe to be the most important issues in the program they visited.

The team meets on the final morning to reflect on their workshop experience and to think about how they might want to be involved in future PASSING and/or other SRV events. At the final plenary session, team leaders share their teams' findings with the larger group, enabling all participants to more fully appreciate some of the broader issues pertaining to services for devalued people. This final session provides an opportunity to clarify PASSING issues, to share experiences, to learn about resources and upcoming events, and to provide feedback about the workshop and its potential impact. The workshop ends after the final plenary session on Friday, by early afternoon.

PASSING workshops require an intense commitment of time and energy. You should arrive well rested and plan to forego all outside involvements during the workshop. **You are expected to have read the PASSING Ratings Manual prior to the workshop.** You must be fully present and participating throughout the entire workshop, (including all evening sessions, with your team. It should be noted that while past PASSING participants report that these are among the most demanding workshops they have attended, they very rarely express dissatisfaction and, in fact, appreciate the workshop's rigor and high level of engagement.

**THE WORKSHOP LEADERS**

Judith Sandys (Senior Trainer): Judith's 35 + years of experience with Social Role Valorization have included human service management, teaching, research and consulting. Judith, who recently retired from the Ryerson School of Social Work, is a member of the Southern Ontario Training Group, the North American SRV Council, and the Editorial Board of the SRV Journal. She has been organizing and leading PASSING workshops for over two decades.

Zana Lutfiyya (Floater) is a longstanding member of the North American SRV Council. She has been a member of the Faculty of Education at the University of Manitoba since 1992. She teaches SRV at the UM as well as in stand alone, four day, SRV workshops. Zana has extensive experience with PASSING and always appreciates the opportunity to take part in these events. Zana is Chair of the planning committee for the upcoming International SRV Conference being held in Winnipeg in June 2018. .

**Please let us know if you require any accessibility accommodations.**

*Please contact Bethany Van Arnhem at [bethanyv@alicesaddy.com](mailto:bethanyv@alicesaddy.com) for any questions regarding this workshop*

**WORKSHOP SPACE IS LIMITED. REGISTER EARLY!**

## PASSING REGISTRATION FORM

Monday, November 13, 2017 to Friday, November 17, 2017.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**  
If registering a number of people, please complete one form for each person and send all together.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Where and when did you attend a four day SRV workshop? \_\_\_\_\_

FEES: \_\_\_\_\_ \$525 (if received on or before September 15, 2017)  
\_\_\_\_\_ \$575 (if received after September 15, 2017)

**ACCOMODATION** You are responsible for arranging and paying for your accommodation and meals. We have reserved rooms at Homewood Suites by Hilton® London, where the workshop is being held. The room rates (\$129 - King bed Studio Suite; \$139 - one bedroom Suite with King bed; \$149 - one bedroom suite with two Queen beds) include breakfast every morning; a light supper from Monday to Thursday evenings; a kitchen and a sofa bed. Parking is free. To book a room, call the hotel at 519-686-7700 or 1-800-225-5466 and ask for the PASSING conference rate. More information about the hotel is available at: [www.londonontario.homewoodsuites.com](http://www.londonontario.homewoodsuites.com)

### PASSING BOOK ORDER FORM

Participants **MUST** bring to the workshop a copy of the PASSING Ratings Manual, 3rd (revised) Edition, published in 2007, with the gold cover. To order a manual, please provide the following information and include the amount along with your registration fee.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of books: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$75.00 each (including postage) \_\_\_\_\_

### CANCELLATION POLICY FOR WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

- Because of the time, energy and cost involved in organizing study visit sites for a PASSING workshop, we cannot issue refunds for cancellations made after September 15, 2017.
- For cancellations made by September 15, 2017, an administrative fee of \$50 will be charged.
- Registration is transferable to another person, provided such transfer is arranged by the original registrant, and the person to whom it is transferred has completed a prerequisite four day SRV workshop
- Refunds (minus the administration fee) may be issued if the space created by the cancellation is later filled by a full paying participant.

Please indicate the total amount you are enclosing for both the registration and the book order. \_\_\_\_\_

Make your cheque **payable to: The Southern Ontario Training Group** and mail to:

**Alice Saddy Association**  
111 Waterloo Street, Suite 401  
London, Ontario N6B 2M4

NOTE: Once your registration has been confirmed, we will email you a Participant Information form to complete and return soon as possible. The information you provide will assist in planning the composition of teams to ensure, for example, that each is diverse in terms of people's roles and experiences and includes enough people with cars who can drive their team members to and from the study visits.

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