



Minnesota Mentor Program (MMP) Kickoff Event

Date: August 5, 2021

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Location: Virtual Zoom Meeting

Link for participation will be emailed to MMP Applicants & State/wide Specialists

Program Facilitator:

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Meeting Agenda:

- 9:30 Welcome General MMP Information
MMP Books of Focus
- 10:00 Keynote Presentation:
Balance Your Conflict – Step by Step Communication to Transform
Difficult Interactions (Dr. Jodi Janati, Communication Innovation
LLC.) (Pre-Recorded)
- 12:00 Lunch (on your own)
- 1:00 Small Group Work Per Disability Category with State/wide Specialists
Individual Team Pairings (Mentor & Protégé) Planning Time

Presenter Bio:

Jody Janati has an Doctoral degree in Organizational Leadership, and a Masters degree in Speech Communication. National Speaker, Author and Conference Facilitator, she has taught in higher education for over 20 years and offers a variety of public and professional workshops on conflict reduction tactics and effective communication skills. During her academic career she worked in various leadership roles, taught for over a decade at both the University of Minnesota and the MN state prison system. She currently trains for numerous organizations throughout the US. Dr. Janati is also the author of six books and is the owner of Communication Innovation, LLC.



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