February 1, 2019  Season 4, Episode 2  12 PM to 1 PM EST

Live webinar hosted via Zoom Webinar

Register

12:00 PM  Introduction & Welcome

12:05 PM  Overview of National Trends in Disability Employment (nTIDE) Jobs Report Release
Debra Brucker, UNH Institute on Disability, John O’Neill, Kessler Foundation

12:10 PM  Announcements from the field of Disability Employment
Denise M. Rozell, Director of Policy Innovation, AUCD

12:20 PM  Interview from the Field
Alec Frazier, Director, Autistic Reality

12:30 PM  Tari Hartman Squire, Chief Executive Officer, EIN SOF Communications, Inc.

12:45 PM  Open Question & Answer period for attendees

* All webinars will be recorded and closed captioned and will be added to our website archives along with full transcripts following the live broadcast.

Join our Mailing List and stay up to date with the webinar series and other news from the field.

Brought to you by the University of New Hampshire Institute on Disability and the Employment Policy and Measurement Rehabilitation and Research Training Center, funded by the National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR)

www.researchondisability.org/ntide
Tari Hartman Squire’s EIN SOF Communications is a leading disability-focused strategic marketing company, specializing in branding, employment consultation and qualitative market research for the public, private and non-profit sectors. Clients include ADA National Network, Apple, AT&T, BBDO, Bank of America, CBS, Fox Searchlight, Mattel, Microsoft, Nickelodeon, Oath, Smithsonian, Sundance Channel, Universal, plus Kessler, Ruderman and HSC Foundations.

The hallmark of EIN SOF’s critically-acclaimed initiatives is that it weaves sophisticated cause-related, social and/or guerilla marketing into innovative PR initiatives, illuminating disability-inclusive diversity strategies across a variety of sectors, specializing in media.

Recent focus is on her Lights! Camera! Access! 2.0 Collaborative and Career Exploration Summits to increase disability employment in front of and behind the camera, improve disability portrayals and insure access to media with captions and audio descriptions and The Disability Collection for Oath., Getty Images and the National Disability Leadership Alliance to create more authentic disability images in stock photos.

As a result of casting discrimination during a temporary disability, Squire and other disabled actors spearheaded the Screen Actors Guild (SAG) Performers with Disabilities Committee, and advocated disability inclusion, 10 years before the ADA. As Founding Executive Director of the Media Access Office, she established industry/disability advisory committees, casting clearinghouse, talent showcases, technical assistance, script consultation, media advocacy, and produced the Media Access Awards. Squire is conversant in American Sign Language, co-chaired the National Disability Leadership Alliance Employment Team; spearheaded National Spinal Cord Injury’s Business Council; received the Media Access Visionary Award for her 25-year leadership in creating disability awareness with the entertainment industry; and Leadership Awards from Women’s e-News, New Mobility Magazine and the Disability Community Resource Center.
Alec Frazier is an autistic 32-year-old resident of Takoma Park, Maryland. A disability rights advocate since he was eight years old, Alec is the Director of his own firm, Autistic Reality, and is the copyrighted author of two books, Without Fear: The First Autistic Superhero and Veni! Vidi! Autism!. For his work at Autistic Reality, Alec does public speaking, lobbying, peer advocacy, and publicity, as well as many other forms of advocacy. Amongst other things, Alec has spoken on Capitol Hill, has mentored for the AAPD summer internship class, has gotten major legislation passed, has appeared and spoken at multiple conferences and conventions, and regularly meets with leaders in the federal government and private sector. Alec is also a proud inductee into the Susan M. Daniels Disability Mentoring Hall of Fame.

Alec has a bachelor’s in political science, and a master’s in disability studies, both from the State University of New York at Buffalo. Alec’s Twitter handle is @autisticreality. You can find his work on Facebook at www.facebook.com/autisticreality and www.facebook.com/venividiautism. He is on Blogger as Ithacan, and his blog is called Always Intrepid. His website is www.nothingaboutuswithoutus.net. He is on Flickr as Autistic Reality. He is also the host of the Autistic Reality Podcast.

**Monthly nTIDE Presenters:**

**Andrew Houtenville, PhD** is an Associate Professor of Economics and Research Director of the Institute on Disability at the University of New Hampshire. Dr. Houtenville is extensively involved in disability statistics and employment policy research. He has published widely in the areas of disability statistics and the economic status of people with disabilities. He is the Principal Investigator on the NIDILRR-funded Employment Policy and Measurement Rehabilitation and Research Training Center. Dr. Houtenville received his Ph.D. in Economics from the University of New Hampshire in 1997 and was a National Institute on Aging Post-Doctoral Fellow at Syracuse University in 1998/1999. He was also a Senior Research Associate at Cornell University and New Editions Consulting in McLean, Virginia.

**John O’Neill, Ph.D., CRC** is the Director of Employment Research at the Kessler Foundation. He currently serves as the Project Co-Director of two NIDILRR-funded Rehabilitation Research and Training Centers (RRTC), “Rehabilitation Research and Training Center on Disability Statistics and Demographics” and “Rehabilitation Research and Training Center on Individual-Level Characteristics Related to Employment Among Individuals with Disabilities” He is a former principal investigator of the RRTC on the Community Integration of People with TBI, and worked for more than eight years on NIDILRR-funded research to improve the quality of vocational rehabilitation services for persons with AIDS.

For six years Dr. O’Neill sat on the NY Rehabilitation Council and was the Council’s representative working with the State vocational rehabilitation agency to create a comprehensive system of personnel development. Dr. O’Neill also directed the graduate program in rehabilitation counseling at Hunter College, CUNY for 25 years. He
is a guest editor for the Rehabilitation Counseling Bulletin for an upcoming special issue on Disability, Person-Environment Interaction and Employment (Spring 2013). Dr. O’Neill is a national expert in the employment of individuals with disability. He recently joined KF as Director of Vocational Research. In this capacity, he will work with the NNJTBIS as a co-investigator focused on dissemination activities regarding employment issues in TBI. Dr. O’Neill will additionally serve as a co-investigator on our site specific research project, assisting with the measurement of employment-related outcomes.

Denise M. Rozell is the Director of Policy Innovation at the Association of University Centers on Disabilities (AUCD). Prior to joining AUCD, she spent fifteen years as Assistant Vice President for State Government Relations with Easter Seals. Denise was the primary resource to Easter Seals 75 affiliates in building capacity to increase awareness of and support for Easter Seals in state government. Prior to that, Denise was the Executive Director of the Association for Education and Rehabilitation of the Blind and Visually Impaired, an international membership organization for the professionals serving individuals who are blind or visually impaired. Denise also was the Governmental Relations Representative for the American Foundation for the Blind and the Director of Public Policy for the National Association of Developmental Disabilities Councils, the membership organization representing the 55 state and territorial Developmental Disabilities Councils. Denise holds a bachelor’s degree in political science from Occidental College in Los Angeles and a juris doctorate from Boalt Hall School of Law at the University of California in Berkeley.