



**Location & Accommodations:  
Hilton Garden Inn**

17610 Stony Plain Road  
Edmonton, Alberta  
Ph: 780 443-2233

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**CANCELLATION POLICY**

- Cancellations made **AFTER** February 19, 2010 are subject to a \$50.00 administration charge.

**For more information contact:**

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**The Gift of a Fun and  
Joyous Childhood**

*Inclusion is rooted in the belief that “we all belong”. All children have the right to participate in natural settings, regardless of their diverse abilities.*

*When children are included, they are active and valued participants in typical family life, community, and in their neighborhood school.*

*An inclusive community is a welcoming community where each member experiences the feeling and reality of belonging.*



**FROM POLICY TO  
PRACTICE: Inspiring  
Quality Inclusive Early  
Learning**



**Thursday, February 25  
9:00 am to 4:00 p.m.  
(registration @ 8:30 a.m.)**

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## ***FROM POLICY TO PRACTICE: Inspiring Quality Inclusive Early Learning***

Inclusive early childhood programs are abundant in every community, however the quality of inclusive programming is diverse. This interactive day will engage participants in dialogue and training to successfully use *The Early Childhood Inclusion Quality Rating Scale\** (2009) to assess and inspire quality early childhood inclusion in your own program.

Join the early childhood community as we move our inclusion policies to best practices, and begin to measure the quality of inclusive learning places for all children.

*\*The Early Childhood Inclusion Quality Rating Scale* is a key tool, developed and validated in research data from over 600 early childhood settings across Canada.

### **Who Should Attend:**

All adults interested in supporting quality inclusion of young children with special needs including: kindergarten teachers, day care staff, playschool teachers, parents, educational assistants, key-workers, speech and language pathologists, occupational and physical therapists, administrators and policy makers.

*“Those who bring sunshine to  
the lives of others cannot  
keep it from themselves.”*  
James Matthew Barrie



### **The Presenter:**

**Debra Mayer** is currently Program Director of SpecialLink, the National Centre for Child Care Inclusion, and a faculty member in the University of Winnipeg Early Childhood Education degree program. She is a lifelong advocate for children with disabilities and for the adults who care for them.

### **Conference Registration**

**Thursday, February 25, 2010**

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

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Prov: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (day): \_\_\_\_\_

#### **PAYMENT:**

Cheque (enclosed)  Master Card  Visa

*\*Cheques payable to The GRIT Program\**

Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_

Expiry Date \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
(required for confirmation)

#### ***Registration Fee***

(refreshments and lunch included )

**Professionals:                      \$135.00**

**Students: (non-waged)        \$85.00**

Forward registration and payment by  
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