



# July 8-10, 2018 Registration is Open

## Evidence for Success Combined Disability Conference

Hosted by IHD, AzTAP & AIVRTTAC

### Greetings to all AIVRS programs!

The American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Training & Technical Assistance Center (AIVRTTAC), the Institute for Human Development (IHD), along with the Arizona Technology Access Program (AzTAP), would like to extend an invitation to all AIVRS programs to our AIVRS training and the Annual Disability Conference.

This year the conference will be held at Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation's We-Ko-Pa Resort and Conference Center in Scottsdale/Fountain Hills, Arizona, July 8th through 10th. **Building the capacity of AIVRS programs to conduct program evaluation activities** will be the focus of the AIVRTTAC training cluster. The AIVRTTAC is excited to share tools developed and teach AIVRS program staff how to use these tools. In collaboration with current AIVRS programs receiving technical assistance from AIVRTTAC, we learned this is a valuable resource for AIVRS programs and we would like to share with the rest of the AIVRS community.

AIVRTTAC's **Linking Arms to Inspire Tribal Customers** training will occur on Sunday July 8, 2018. AIVRS attendees have the option of attending our training on Sunday only, or attend both the training and the two-day conference to follow on July 9 and 10th.

Early Bird Registration until June 8, 2018. Regular Registration after June 8, 2018. Please register at the following link: <http://aztap.org/conference/>

If you have any questions please feel free to contact AIVRTTAC via phone or email:

**AIVRTTAC, Institute for Human Development - Northern Arizona University**  
(928) 523-9325 or (928) 523-7179 | Email: [AIVRTTAC@nau.edu](mailto:AIVRTTAC@nau.edu)

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### Reasons to Attend:

- Multiple tracks
  - Assistive Technology
  - Evidence Based Practice in Disability Disciplines
  - American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services
  - 65+ sessions to choose from
  - Earn up to 18 Continuing Education contact hours
  - Vibrant Exhibit Hall: 50+ vendors
  - FREE community Exhibit Hall passes

### Early Bird Registration Fees

**\$250** for general conference  
**\$125** for preconference workshops  
**\$350** for both  
Room Rate is **\$89/night**  
(inclusive of resort fees)

\*\$250 AIVRTTAC conference fee includes preconference meetings on July 8.

**We-Ko-Pa Resort & Conference Center**  
Scottsdale/Fountain Hills, AZ



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# Linking Arms to Inspire Tribal Consumers

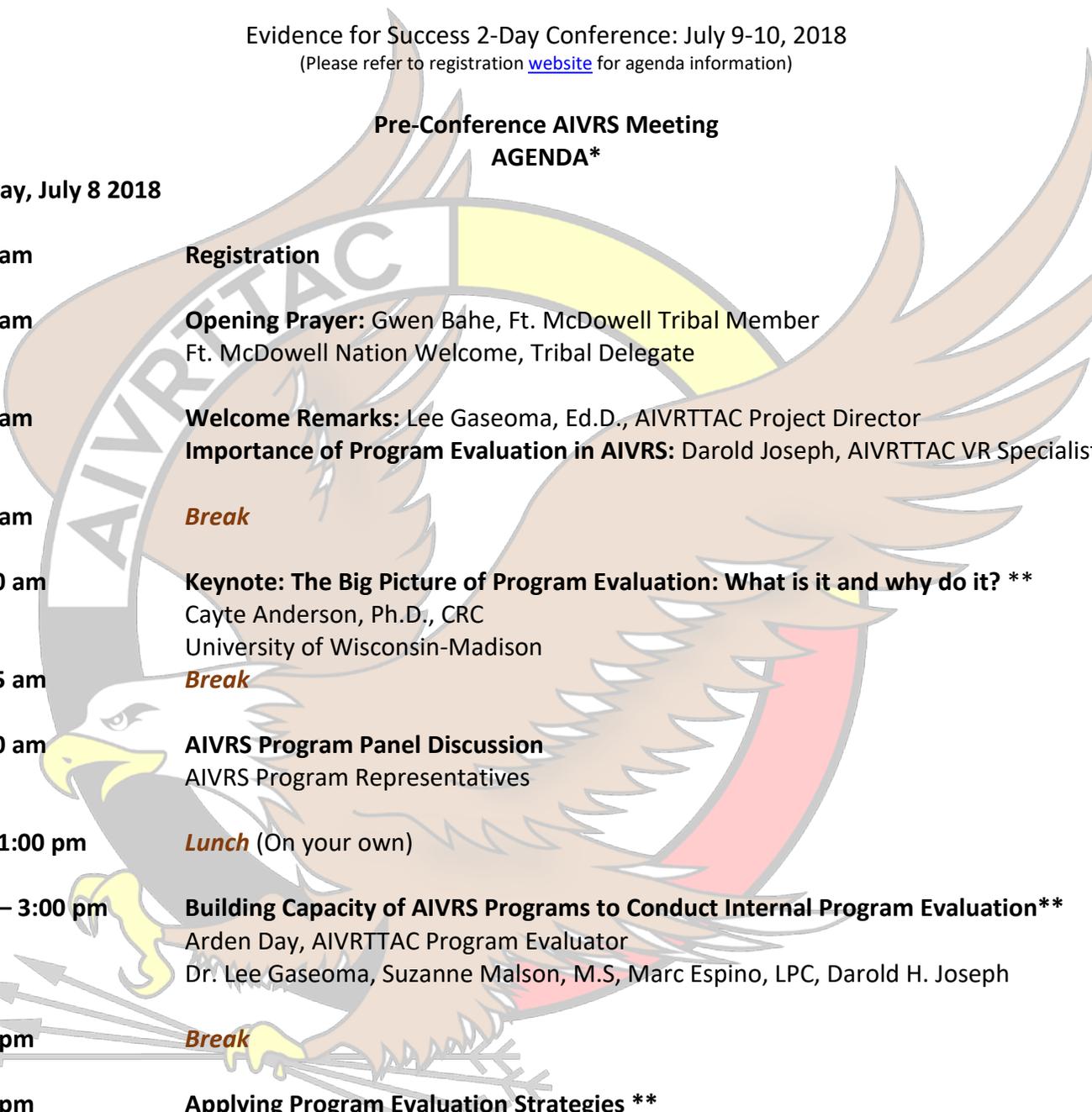
American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Training and Technical Assistance Center (AIVRTTAC)

**Location:** We-Ko-Pa Resort & Conference Center  
10438 N. Fort McDowell Rd, Scottsdale/Fountain Hills, AZ 85264

Evidence for Success 2-Day Conference: July 9-10, 2018  
(Please refer to registration [website](#) for agenda information)

## Pre-Conference AIVRS Meeting AGENDA\*

Sunday, July 8 2018

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- 8:00 am** Registration
- 8:30 am** **Opening Prayer:** Gwen Bahe, Ft. McDowell Tribal Member  
Ft. McDowell Nation Welcome, Tribal Delegate
- 9:00 am** **Welcome Remarks:** Lee Gaseoma, Ed.D., AIVRTTAC Project Director  
**Importance of Program Evaluation in AIVRS:** Darold Joseph, AIVRTTAC VR Specialist
- 9:45 am** *Break*
- 10:00 am** **Keynote: The Big Picture of Program Evaluation: What is it and why do it? \*\***  
Cayte Anderson, Ph.D., CRC  
University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 10:45 am** *Break*
- 11:00 am** **AIVRS Program Panel Discussion**  
AIVRS Program Representatives
- 12 – 1:00 pm** *Lunch* (On your own)
- 1:00 – 3:00 pm** **Building Capacity of AIVRS Programs to Conduct Internal Program Evaluation\*\***  
Arden Day, AIVRTTAC Program Evaluator  
Dr. Lee Gaseoma, Suzanne Malson, M.S, Marc Espino, LPC, Darold H. Joseph
- 3:00 pm** *Break*
- 3:15 pm** **Applying Program Evaluation Strategies \*\***  
**Provide AIVRS Programs Guidance and Coaching with Applying Strategies**  
Facilitated By: AIVRTTAC Staff and Dr. Cayte Anderson
- 4:15 pm** **Closing Remarks**
- 4:45 pm** **Complete AIVRTTAC Evaluation Survey/ End of Meeting**

\*\* CRCs are offered for this session

\*Agenda is subject to change

## Keynote Speaker for AIVRTTAC Pre-Conference Training just announced!

Sunday July 8, 2018

**Catherine Anderson, Ph.D., CRC** received her doctorate in Rehabilitation Psychology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She is a researcher and project director in the Department of Rehabilitation Psychology and Special Education (RPSE) at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, having recently transitioned from serving as the Executive Director of the University of Wisconsin-Stout Vocational Rehabilitation Institute (SVRI) since 2014. Dr. Anderson has been working in the field of rehabilitation counseling as a practitioner, policy maker, administrator, and researcher for over 15 years. She is experienced in applying Community-Based Participatory Research (CBPR) methodology and Knowledge Translation (KT) strategies to establish meaningful relationships between university researchers and rehabilitation professionals in order to better understand and address relevant issues in the field. She currently serves as the principal investigator, co-principal investigator, or researcher on four federally funded research demonstration or national technical assistance center grants funded through the U.S Department of Education-Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA), the U.S. Department of Education-Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP), and the Administration for Community Living-National Institute on Disability Independent Living and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR).

She is also serving as one of three program evaluation consultants for the American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Training and Technical Assistance Center (AIVRTTAC) at the Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff, Arizona. The AIVRTTAC provides training and technical assistance to 88 American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation services programs for tribal members with disabilities who reside on or near federal and state reservations.



Dr. Anderson's former and current projects share a common theme in identifying, implementing, and studying the use of evidence-based practices with individuals with disabilities experiencing poverty to improve employment and economic outcomes. Dr. Anderson actively serves on the editorial boards for the *Journal of Vocational Rehabilitation* and the *Journal of Occupational Rehabilitation*. She also actively serves as an elected board member of multiple national membership organizations focused on professional issues in rehabilitation counseling and financial empowerment of individuals with disabilities.