

About the Presenter, Monica Bein

Monica Bein of Owasso, Oklahoma, provides services for children with speech and language delays at the Tulsa Health Department Child Guidance Program. In addition, Bein teaches American Sign Language and special education courses for the Northeastern State University and Tulsa Community College. Working in the field of language development has broadened Monica's interest in communication. She is completing a training program, which she researched and co-authored, for families of children with articulation delay.

Pursuit of her Master's degree in speech pathology resulted in numerous international experiences. She studied in France, and worked in Bosnian and Romanian orphanages providing staff training and therapy for children with special needs. She is often called upon to provide expertise for local magazines, newspapers and other news media. She collaborates with several community agencies, including Children First, Sooner Start Early Intervention, Tulsa Community Service Council, local schools and libraries.

This will be Bein's fourth local presentation sponsored by the *WIU Homeless Children's Initiative*. Previous workshops were very well received, and as a result there is a demand for a return engagement of "Strategies for Professionals & Communities." Some of those attending the prior session have said:

"One of the best trainings I have ever attended. Monica's presentation was educational, precise, and entertaining."

"This program should be required for anyone who works with people in poverty. Learning more about the cultural differences has definitely helped me to help my clients."

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Bridges Out of Poverty

Strategies for Professionals and Communities



**Two Sessions of Part 1
Strategies for Professionals**

**September 16 or September 17, 2011
8:00am—3:30pm Each Day**

**at
Westmoreland Intermediate Unit
Administration Building,
Greensburg PA**

Sponsored by the
Homeless Children's Initiative
***of Westmoreland Intermediate Unit
and the WIU Foundation***

If you work with people in poverty YOU NEED THIS TRAINING

If you didn't grow up in poverty, you may be unaware of the hidden rules that govern many aspects of life for individuals and families living in

poverty. This seminar gives both educators and social service providers key lessons in



working with clients, students, and their families. Topics include increasing your awareness of the differences in economic cultures and how those factors affect the opportunities for success.

Bridges Out of Poverty explains the hidden rules of class, increases the participant's awareness of the differences in culture, and illustrates how those defining features impact situations and opportunities. The workshop discussion also focuses on different language experience and usage.

The training is based on the book, "***Bridges Out of Poverty, Strategies for Professionals and Communities,***" a collaboration between Dr. Ruby K. Payne, Phillip DeVol, and Terie Dreussi Smith. Dr. Payne is a leading U.S. expert on the mindset of different economic classes. DeVol's experience includes the development of school-based substance abuse, intervention, and student assistance programs. Smith is an experienced educator/prevention coordinator.

This seminar is designed for educators, employers, community organizations, law enforcement, counselors, health care and social service providers.

There are two separate sessions of "Strategies" — Friday, September 16 & Saturday, September 17 — and you may register for either one.

TO REGISTER...

Please complete the enclosed form and return it to the WIU no later than August 31, 2011.

Cost includes seminar, refreshments, lunch, and all handout materials.

A copy of the book "Bridges Out of Poverty" will also be provided.

Name _____

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Fee is \$25.00 for either day.

Please check which presentation you will attend.

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Checks should be payable to:

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