

CDS Lunchtime Learning

Monday, November 14, 2011

“Learning from Catastrophe: The 2011 Tohoku earthquake and tsunami and the challenges facing people with disabilities”

The Center for Disabilities Studies continues its lunchtime learning series with a presentation by Tricia Wachtendorf, associate director of the Disaster Research Center at the University of Delaware, and Rochelle Brittingham, graduate research assistant.

Three months after the March 2011 earthquake, tsunami and related disasters struck Japan, UD Disaster Research Center Associate Director Tricia Wachtendorf and graduate research assistant Rochelle Brittingham traveled to Japan. They were part of a reconnaissance team that visited Iwata and Miyagi prefecture to learn about the social impacts of the disasters. At this workshop, they will discuss some of the factors that led to disparate evacuation and sheltering strategies for those with a range of functional and intellectual disabilities, the challenges these survivors faced months after the event, and the potential implications for disaster planning in the United States.

Lunchtime Learning Details:

Date and Time: Monday, November 14, 2011, 12 noon–1 p.m.

Location: Center for Disabilities Studies, Room 132, 461 Wyoming Rd., Newark

Registration: Reply to mercooke@udel.edu or 302-831-3632.

Please indicate if you need an accommodation.

You're welcome to bring a bag lunch. Water and snacks will be provided.

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