



# DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH MARCH 2010



## **"The Power of Cooperative Doing – The Act of Empowering Others Empowers You!"**

**Monday, March 01, 2010 - SAIPAN  
PROCLAMATION SIGNING CEREMONY  
March 2010 DD Awareness Month**  
Venue: Governor's Office, Conference Rm.  
Time: 3:00pm

**Friday, March 03 & 04, 2010- TINIAN  
FOCUS GROUP SURVEY**  
Conducted by: CNMI Council on  
Developmental Disabilities Staff  
Venue: To Be Announced  
Time: To Be Announced

**Friday, March 05, 2010- TINIAN  
FORUM "MEET YOUR POLICY MAKER"**  
Panelist: 17<sup>th</sup> Commonwealth Legislature  
(Tinian Delegation)  
Venue: Tinian Dynasty Hotel & Casino  
Time: 6:00pm – 8:00pm

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**Wednesday, March 10, 2010 - ROTA  
REGISTRATION**  
Time: 7:30am – 8:15am

**INTRODUCTION OF KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**  
Facilitators: Raymond D. Diaz & Lillian Ada,  
CDD Staff  
Venue: NMC Rota Campus  
Time: 8:30am -8:45am

**SELF-ADVOCACY**  
Presenters: Connie Sue Deherrera, Cynthia  
Susan Berkheimer, Laura Marie Matthews,  
Center for Self Advocacy, Albuquerque,  
New Mexico  
Venue: NMC Rota Campus  
Time: 8:45am – 10:00am

### **CONCURRENT SESSION 10:15am – 11:30am**

**ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY & EDUCATION**  
Presenters: Christie L. Sablan, AT Coordinator  
& Jerry McVicar, AT Specialist  
Venue: NMC Rota Campus

**YOUTH LEADERSHIP**  
Presenter: Connie Sue Deherrera, Cynthia  
Susan Berkheimer, Laura Marie Matthews,  
Center for Self Advocacy, Albuquerque,  
New Mexico  
Venue: NMC Rota Campus

**LUNCH KEYNOTE: UCEDD OVERVIEW**  
Facilitator: John Manalo & Marissa F.  
Guerrero, Northern Marianas College-  
University Centers for Excellence on  
Developmental Disabilities  
Venue: NMC Rota Campus  
Time: 11:30am – 12:45pm

### **CONCURRENT SESSION 12:45pm – 2:00pm**

**SELF-ADVOCACY- KNOW YOURSELF**  
Facilitators: John Manalo & Marissa F.  
Guerrero, Northern Marianas College -  
University Centers for Excellence on  
Developmental Disabilities  
Venue: NMC Rota Campus

**HOW TO SCHMOOZE YOUR  
LEGISLATORS**  
Presenters: Connie Sue Deherrera, Cynthia  
Susan Berkheimer, Laura Marie Matthews,  
Center for Self Advocacy, Albuquerque,

New Mexico  
Venue: NMC Rota Campus

**R.O.P.E.S**  
Presenters: Tom Thornburgh & Greg Borja,  
Northern Marianas Protection & Advocacy  
Systems, Inc.  
Venue: NMC Rota Campus

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**Saturday, March 13, 2010 - TINIAN  
REGISTRATION: 7:30am – 8:15am**

**INTRODUCTION OF KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**  
Facilitators: Raymond D. Diaz & Lillian Ada,  
CDD Staff  
Venue: Tinian Dynasty Hotel & Casino  
Time: 8:30am -8:45am

**SELF-ADVOCACY TRAINING**  
Presenters: Connie Sue Deherrera, Cynthia  
Susan Berkheimer, Laura Marie Matthews,  
Center for Self Advocacy, Albuquerque,  
New Mexico  
Venue: Tinian Dynasty Hotel & Casino  
Time: 8:45am – 10:00am

### **CONCURRENT SESSIONS 10:15am – 11:30am**

**ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY & EDUCATION**  
Presenters: Christie L. Sablan, AT Coordinator  
& Jerry McVicar, AT Specialist:  
Venue: Tinian Dynasty Hotel & Casino

**YOUTH LEADERSHIP**  
Presenters: Connie Sue Deherrera, Cynthia  
Susan Berkheimer, Laura Marie Matthews,  
Center for Self Advocacy, Albuquerque,  
New Mexico  
Venue: Tinian Dynasty Hotel & Casino

**LUNCH KEYNOTE: UCEDD OVERVIEW**  
Facilitator: John Manalo & Marissa F.  
Guerrero, NMC-UCEDD  
Venue: Tinian Dynasty Hotel & Casino  
Time: 11:30am – 12:45pm

### **CONCURRENT SESSION 12:45pm – 2:00pm**

**SELF-ADVOCACY- "KNOW YOURSELF"**  
Facilitators: John Manalo & Marissa F.  
Guerrero, Northern Marianas College -  
University Centers for Excellence on  
Developmental Disabilities  
Venue: Tinian Dynasty Hotel & Casino

**HOW TO SCHMOOZE YOUR  
LEGISLATOR**  
Presenters: Connie Sue Deherrera, Cynthia  
Susan Berkheimer, Laura Marie Matthews,  
Center for Self Advocacy, Albuquerque,  
New Mexico  
Venue: Tinian Dynasty Hotel & Casino

**R.O.P.E.S** Presenters: Tom Thornburgh &  
Greg Borja, Northern Marianas Protection &  
Advocacy Systems, Inc.  
Venue: Tinian Dynasty Hotel & Casino

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**Friday, March 19, 2010 - SAIPAN  
REGISTRATION**  
Venue: Saipan World Resort  
Time: 7:30am – 8:00am

**INTRODUCTION OF KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**  
Facilitators: Raymond D. Diaz & Lillian Ada,  
CDD Staff  
Venue: Saipan World Resort  
Time: 8:00am -8:45am

**SELF-ADVOCACY**  
Presenters: Connie Sue Deherrera, Cynthia  
Susan Berkheimer, Laura Marie Matthews,  
Center for Self Advocacy, Albuquerque,  
New Mexico  
Venue: Saipan World Resort  
Time: 8:45am – 10:00am

### **CONCURRENT SESSIONS 10:10am – 11:30am**

**ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY & EDUCATION**  
Presenters: Christie L. Sablan, AT Coordinator,  
Jerry McVicar, AT Specialist  
Venue: Saipan World Resort

**YOUTH LEADERSHIP**  
Presenters: Connie Sue Deherrera, Cynthia  
Susan Berkheimer, Laura Marie Matthews,  
Center for Self Advocacy, Albuquerque,  
New Mexico  
Venue: Saipan World Resort

**LUNCH KEYNOTE: UCEDD OVERVIEW**  
Facilitator: John Manalo & Marissa F.  
Guerrero, Northern Marianas College-  
University Centers for Excellence on  
Developmental Disabilities  
Venue: Saipan World Resort  
Time: 11:30am – 12:45pm

### **CONCURRENT SESSIONS 12:45pm – 2:00pm**

**SELF-ADVOCACY-"KNOW YOURSELF"**  
Facilitators: John Manalo & Marissa F.  
Guerrero, Northern Marianas College -  
University Centers for Excellence on  
Developmental Disabilities  
Venue: Saipan World Resort

**HOW TO SCHMOOZE YOUR  
LEGISLATOR:** Presenters: Connie Sue  
Deherrera, Cynthia Susan Berkheimer, Laura  
Marie Matthews, Center for Self Advocacy,  
Albuquerque, New Mexico  
Venue: Saipan World Resort

**R.O.P.E.S**  
Presenters: Tom Thornburgh & Greg Borja,  
Northern Marianas Protection & Advocacy  
Systems, Inc.  
Venue: Saipan World Resort

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**Friday, March 26, 2010 – SAIPAN  
FORUM "MEET YOUR POLICY MAKER"**  
Panelist: 17<sup>th</sup> Commonwealth Legislature  
(Saipan Delegation)  
Venue: Saipan World Resort  
Time: 10:00am – 2:00pm

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**Friday, April 9, 2010  
FORUM "MEET YOUR POLICY MAKER"**  
Panel: 17<sup>th</sup> Commonwealth Legislature  
(Rota Delegation)  
Venue: Rota Round House, Songsong Village  
Time: 9:00am – 2:00pm

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