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## Minnesota Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities

*Promoting Independence, Productivity, Self Determination, Integration and Inclusion*

### Online Presentations & Publications About Personal Futures Planning

- **Parallels in Time, Part 2:** Continuation of the History of Disabilities that is contained in the original Parallels in Time. Each of the major aspects of a person's life — home, learning/education, and employment are presented by decade with images, photos, history, and stories that reflect and represent the reality of this period in our history.
- **Parallels in Time:** Traces the attitudes and treatment of people with disabilities over time, from 1500 BC to 1950.
- **It's My Choice:** Change the way you think about your life! Complete the online checklists and guides in this workbook. Use them to lead you through a variety of options to help make decisions about services and supports.
- **The Learning Center:** A collection of more than 10,000 pages of documents that trace the Council's efforts to empower individuals and families to represent their own interests, make a difference, and shape the future.
- **With An Eye To the Past:** The historical events that led to the closing of Minnesota's institutions, and the individuals who played significant roles in improving the quality of life and services for people with developmental disabilities.



Computerworld Honors Program  
Recognizes State Government  
Reform Initiative and Digital  
Document Imaging Program



### Employment

Digital imaging is the business solution to records management and retrieval. Trendex, Riverview Community Bank, the Departments of Human Services, and Corrections in Olmsted County have discovered the cost savings in this approach and have hired people with developmental disabilities to do the work.

### Customer Research

Since 2000, studies have been done on Electronic Government Services, Consumer Directed Community Supports, Health Care, what constitutes Quality of Life, and an Employer Survey.

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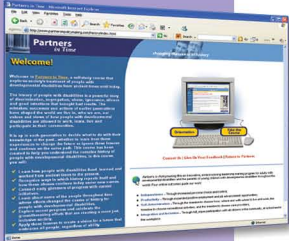
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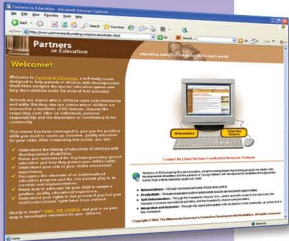
## Partners In Policymaking® Internet Classes

Whether you're looking for an opportunity to reinforce what you've already learned, you're interested in the Partner's program but can't make the classroom program, these classes are perfect for you. You can also benefit from these classes if you're a direct care worker looking to satisfy training requirement. Really, anyone interested in learning more on the topics below is welcome to take the courses!



**Partners in Time:** an 8-hour self-directed online course – learn how people with disabilities lived, learned, and worked throughout history; and how history repeats itself in its perceptions and treatment of people with disabilities.

*"I can't believe how incredible and detailed this course is; I'm really impressed."*



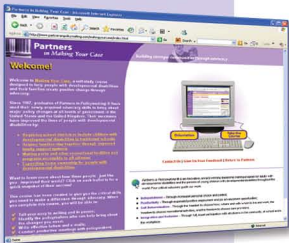
**Partners in Education:** a 6-hour self-directed online course – learn how to maximize the benefits of special education services and inclusion for students with disabilities.

*"Explained everything thoroughly – great job! I wish I had this 15 years ago when I was working with students in school."*



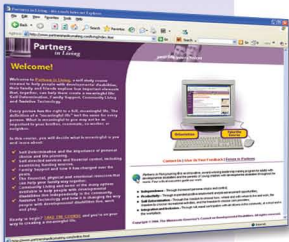
**Partners in Employment:** a 6-hour self-directed online course – learn how to find a job that you like and plan for a lifelong career.

*"Covered all aspects of a successful job search; particularly liked the professional manner in which the course was put together."*



**Making Your Case:** a 3-hour self-directed online course – learn how to communicate with public officials to make a better world for all people with disabilities.

*"Very logical, easy to understand, very accessible, and it presented advocacy in plain English."*



**Partners in Living:** a 7-hour self-directed online course – learn the important concepts of self-determination, family support, community living and assistive technology.

*"Very informative about the types of supports that are available in the community for people with disabilities."*

## Inspiring Publication Available!

### Stories of Leadership

Brief stories and portrait photographs of 20 Partners in Policymaking graduates are highlighted. You will laugh with them, you will cry with them, and best of all, you'll be interested in the strategies they used to change their lives.



*Partners is an innovative, competency based leadership training program for adults with disabilities and parents of young children with developmental disabilities.*

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