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Darlene Magito-McLaughlin
2011/2012 NAPW Professional Woman of the Year
Honored for Her Achievements and Her Philanthropy



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President

Dr. Darlene Magito-McLaughlin, licensed Clinical Psychologist and a Board Certified Behavior Analyst, is being honored as a 2011/2012 Professional Woman of the Year by National Association of Professional Women, a prestigious distinction awarded by the 200,000-strong membership of NAPW .

The same extraordinary compassion that inspired Dr. Darlene Magito-McLaughlin to achieve exceptional success in her distinguished academic and professional career is now the foundation for her most recent humanitarian endeavor. Dr. Magito-McLaughlin has established the Positive Behavior Support Community Foundation as a not-for-profit psychological resource for parents and their developmentally disabled children in the greater metropolitan New York City region.

The Positive Behavior Support Community Foundation will serve those families who are struggling to meet the special needs of their school age children in this time of very limited public and insurance funding. Through a combination of administrative guidance, clinical assessment, and financial assistance, Positive Behavior Support Community Foundation will provide desperate families with strategies and protocols for a fully integrated educational and social support program for their children. Her methods engender quality of life changes through person-centered planning and positive behavior support with the goal of increasing self-determination and enhancing social relationships.

The foundation also allows Dr. Magito-McLaughlin to bring together her numerous pro-bono activities under the aegis of one umbrella organization.

A forward-thinking authority on Positive Behavior Support with a national reputation as an expert in her field, Dr. Magito-McLaughlin has designed and instituted comprehensive programs for more than 40 school districts. Her innovative program practices enrich the individualistic learning experience for the developmentally disabled and help them find meaningful lifestyle outcomes in the community. Dr. Magito-McLaughlin is a popular key-note speaker at national and international education events and professional forums and has published extensively as the co-author of research articles and text book chapters that have become required reading in the field.

Company:
Positive Behavior Support
Consulting and Psychological
Resources, PC

Awards & Accomplishments:
Dr. Magito-McLaughlin holds a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from Stony Brook University. As a Master of Applied Psychology diplomate from Adelphi University, Dr. Magito-McLaughlin was awarded a Fieldwork Fellowship and membership in Phi Beta Kappa, Psi Chi, and Delta Tau Alpha Honor Societies.

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