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BIO: LIVING MY LIFE WITHOUT LIMITS

Michael Kalberer is a native Long Islander with Cerebral Palsy and lives with a retinal degenerative disease which slowly robbed him of usable sight. Michael earned his BA in Psychology and Speech Communications from Hofstra University as well as his Master's degree in Social Work from Adelphi University. Michael has a passion to empower all individuals and embraces every opportunity to educate, inform and interact with family, friends, students and audiences. Anyone who's had the pleasure of knowing Michael acquires knowledge on how to enjoy life and transcend their limitations, while experiencing the unconditional support and friendship Michael extends to all.

A New York State Licensed Social Worker, Michael has given lectures on a multitude of topics such as stress and time management, the transition to college life, and disability etiquette. As a guest lecturer at Hofstra University and other Universities, Michael specializes in helping those who wish to sustain relationships with him, reach their full potential. Michael removes social stigma and continues to change the medical and societal definition of disability through his belief that Humanity brings us together and unites us more than any group of limitations segregates us.

Michael has appeared on national TV, speaking in an effort to end prejudice. He continues to capture and inspire audiences to whom he speaks, through his use of humor and his authentic nature.

Michael is an intelligent social worker who brings a distinctive perspective to the challenges individuals with disabilities face, its impact on families, and the positive and negative responses of society. Michael not only brings thoughtful and academic competence to his discussion on disabilities, but a unique authenticity rarely encountered in speakers in this field. He has been helpful to me in expanding my knowledge and sensitivity in my role as an advocate and care-giver. - Joseph Dutkowsky

AUTHENTIC PROVISION OF PERSON-CENTERED HEALTHCARE

Key Points: Healthcare is much more than just a treatment and alleviation of symptoms. Collaborate with the person to create an atmosphere of teamwork.

Practical Application of essential skills for occupation.

MENTAL HEALTH

Key Points: How mental health, physical health and spiritual health are connected.

TEAMMATES FOR LIFE: A TRANSITION PLAN

Key Points: The objective of this presentation is to enhance the connection and communication of individuals and personifies the impact of personal choice on life-long friendships, comradery, trust, and collaboration.

Learning how to view each other as individuals and teammates while appreciating Diversity when communicating from a Strengths-Based Perspective.

TRANSITION INTO DIFFERENT PHASES OF LIFE

Key Points: Whether it is aging out of school or transition in or out of college, educating the audience on how extra time is needed for mental and physical growth during key transition periods of life fearlessly.

STRESS MANAGEMENT WORKSHOPS

Key Points: Learning to slow down and reward yourself, making connections with others and doing things that make you happy.

EMPOWER YOURSELF BY TRANSCENDING LABELS

Key Points: From organization to strength. Labeling to organize and classify is key but further labeling leads to misconception. Victory Over Victimization!

