



# Anthesis

## *Association Meeting- Parent Information Night*

*Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at 6-8pm*

What is Person-Centered Thinking?  
What does it mean for an individual with disabilities?  
Presented by Joe Donofrio, Executive Director of Choicess



**Guest Speaker:  
Joe Donofrio**

Joe Donofrio has dedicated his life to helping individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities for over 35 years. His dedication led him to co-found CHOICESS, one of the first organizations in California devoted to supporting individuals with disabilities so that they can live a full and meaningful life through Supported Living Services. In Joe's eyes, each and every individual should live a meaningful life. He has taken a lead role to provide training, mentoring and coaching on how Person centered Practices can assist individuals and their families to achieve their vision for their life. The approach to Person Centered Practices is the foundation for people to have control and be at the center of their life with all those that care and love them. These practices assist organizations to ensure that they too empower people to create the outcomes that they desire.

Joe will be teaching Person-Centered Thinking to the staff of Anthesis throughout the coming year. We are pleased that he will join us this evening to help our families and others interested in understanding this concept and what it means for our program participants. It is a key component of the HCBS changes that are coming and integral to our change in focus to community based programs.

### Additional presentations:

Program Highlight: Supported Employment – Program staff and participants will share program successes

Video: A day in the life of an Enclave

Anthesis News: Mitch Gariador, Executive Director will provide an update of programs and legislative issues

\*Light appetizers to be provided by Anthesis Cafeteria Staff

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