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Orientation and Mobility training slated for Casper

CHEYENNE - Improving the lives of clients through advanced Orientation and Mobility techniques is the subject of a training in Casper on May 11-12.

The workshop is designed to provide therapists, teachers and professionals information on Orientation and Mobility (O&M) instruction. The course will also examine the O&M's role for the student's independence and assist O&M instructors with indoor travel techniques. The course will combine lectures with first-hand experience through simulated vision loss (blindfolds and low-vision simulators) with an emphasis on practical, applicable learning. Participation during the class is expected. Students must bring sleep shades and are asked to dress appropriately and wear proper footwear.

Instructors for the course are Lynne Davis Dellinger and Joanne Whitson. Dellinger is the Director of the Professional Preparation Program for Teachers of Persons with Visual and Multiple Disabilities at Salus University. She is a certified O&M Specialist.

The training is scheduled for the WDE Outreach Library for the Deaf at 439 South Payne Street in Casper. The registration fee is \$85. For more information, contact Joanne Whitson at 307-324-5333 or joanne.whitson@wyo.gov. The deadline for registrations is June 30.