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NEOCON OFFERS SPECIAL PROGRAMMING FOR WORK & FAMILY MONTH

Explores the Future of Workspace in Collaboration with Work Design Magazine

(Chicago, IL - September 2020) NeoConnect, together with Work Design magazine, is pleased to present a two-part webinar program in honor of National Work and Family Month. Moderated by Work Design's Elise Shapiro, the sessions bring together innovative thinkers from the design, planning, wellness and manufacturing communities to lend fresh perspectives on where we are, what we have learned and where we are heading. Registration is now open and available through the links below.

Forging the New Frontier of the Workspace's Next Normal [NC007]

Wednesday, October 7, 10:00am–11:00am CDT

The intersection of design, wellness, and psychology all meet in the workspace. The workspace, by circumstance, has now expanded from the office to our dining rooms, living rooms, and bedrooms. While work-life balance has been a trending topic in recent years, it has now been thrown into the maelstrom of working through the COVID-19 pandemic. Panelists' dialogue will touch on the challenges and opportunities this moment in the workspace revolution has exposed. Attendees will enjoy an animated discussion about how what we continue to learn from the current situation will influence the design and definition of workspaces of the future. CEU credit pending. Attendees can register [here](#).

Panelists:

Eric Yorath, BCIN, LEED AP
Principal, FIGUR3

Jamie Feuerborn, LEED AP
Senior Associate/ Director of Workplace Strategy, Ted Moudis Associates

Kari Leibowitz
Health Psychologist, Stanford University

Sylvia Kowalk, LEED AP, ID+C
Principal/Director of Interior Design, Legat Architects

Raising the Bar as We Rethink the Workspace [NC014]

Wednesday, October 14, 10:00am–11:00am CDT

Panelists will build on part one's dialogue about the future definition and context of the office. Attendees will join leading minds who are actively researching why communal work is more critical to organizational success than ever, and who are developing the ground-

breaking products and environments that will allow employees to safely return to the workspace. While the office we return to won't be the office we left, the experts behind the scenes at Allsteel, Mohawk, and Steelcase are generating cutting-edge design elements to enhance the workspace experience—a critical component to making sure the return to work (no matter when and where it will be) is as safe, productive, and innovative as possible. This is a great time to embrace the opportunity to redefine the office. CEU credit pending. Attendees can register [here](#).

Panelists:

Jan Johnson, FIIDA, ASID, CoreNet Global, IFMA
Vice President, Workplace Strategy, Allsteel

Royce Epstein, LEED AP
A&D Design Director, Mohawk Group

Dr. Tracy Brower
Principal, Applied Research and Consulting, Steelcase

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