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Anne Hughson, Ph.D., Director and Associate Professor, Community Rehabilitation and Disability Studies, Community Health Sciences, Cumming School of Medicine, University of Calgary and a Registered Psychologist. Dr. Hughson is a recipient of the Faculty of Education Excellence in Teaching Award and the author and co-author of of texts, chapters and articles on a wide range of disability-related subjects. She has lectured and consulted in many countries. As a researcher in disability studies and program evaluation her work is grounded in the lived experiences of people with developmental disabilities and their families. Her teaching and research interests include programme evaluation, research design, consumer driven services, community development, critical theory and anti-oppressive practices in human services, ethics of inclusion and caring in education. Along with her colleague, Bruce Uditsky, she was a co-developer of one of Canada's few summer institutes on inclusive education which has been training teachers, administrators and parents for over 20 years. Dr. Hughson has a long history of voluntary and consultancy work with Inclusion Alberta, most recently as the co-developer of its internationally recognized family leadership series, inclusive post-secondary education and community inclusion projects in child welfare, inclusive education, and community inclusion.