

APD Presentations

The 18th Annual Family Café

Caribe Royale Hotel in Orlando

June 10-12, 2016

The Silent Epidemic: Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation of Persons with Developmental Disabilities

Friday, June 10, 1:30 p.m.

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Statistics reveal that the vast majority of individuals with developmental disabilities will be the victims of abuse, neglect, and/or exploitation at some point during their lives. This presentations will explore the factors behind the alarming prevalence of such crimes committed against this population, identify common characteristics of perpetrators, provide tips for detecting and reporting the signs and symptoms of potential maltreatment, and offer concrete safety and prevention strategies that parents, caregivers, and self-advocates can implement immediately. An overview of the Agency's Zero Tolerance Initiative to End Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation against Floridians with Developmental Disabilities will also be provided.

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Learn about the Family Care Council

Friday, June 10, 1:30

Celebration 8

The Family Care Councils (FCCs) are groups of volunteers who advocate for people with developmental disabilities and their families. In 1993, the Florida Legislature created the FCCs (Chapter 393.502, Florida Statutes) in each service area of APD to advise the agency, develop a plan for the delivery of family support services within the local area, and monitor the implementation and effectiveness of services and supports provided under the plan. Official FCC members are appointed by the governor. Each council consists of individuals with developmental disabilities, as well as, parents, siblings, grandparents, and guardians of people with developmental disabilities who qualify for APD services. Each council is made up of 10 to 15 members. The council membership reflects the geographical areas and the various disabilities, ethnicity, and ages served by the agency. All interested persons are encouraged to become committee members of their local councils.

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Employment and You
Friday, June 10, 1:30 p.m.
Celebration 7

The Agency for Persons with Disabilities and the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation are working together, both in Tallahassee and across the state, to increase successful outcomes for individuals with disabilities seeking employment. This session will discuss each agencies supported employment program aspects including eligibility, direct assistance offered, how each funding system works, and how APD and VR are working together to offer Floridians with disabilities the opportunity to work competitively in the community.

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Human Trafficking
Friday, June 10, 3 p.m.
Celebration 5

Human Trafficking is modern day slavery and it is happening right here in the United States. Florida is ranked third in the nation for potential Human Trafficking cases. The Agency for Persons with Disabilities presents a training on what human trafficking is, how to identify a victim, and how you can make a difference in your community.

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Self Determination – A Path to Success

(A Panel Discussion)

Friday, 3 p.m.

Celebration 24

This panel will discuss the challenges and successes of three individuals who have encountered ups and downs along the way and will share what has worked best for them in their path to self-determination. The panel will also discuss the importance of trusting relationship with service providers and how to use the iBudget waiver funds to meet changing needs. What happens next in your life is up to you!

The panel members are all individuals who have lived their lives to the fullest and have taken on challenges head on. They each provide unique perspectives for others to hear and learn from. Each individual is involved in the home and community based waiver program either as a person receiving services or as a provider of services under the waiver. Denise Arnold is the Deputy Director of Programs for APD and brings many years of experience in the field to serve as the moderator.

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The 21st Century Workforce

Friday, June 10, 3 p.m.

Celebration 7

How the Employment Expansion Project (EEP) can help facilitate diverse workforce opportunities for employers and employees. This session would elaborate on the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act 2014 (WIOA), the needs of the waiver waiting list, and future

opportunities for the transitioning youth from school to work. We will also discuss recruiting employers. Employers can't say "YES" if you don't ask.

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Social Security Work Incentives

Friday, June 10, 4:30 p.m.

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Learn the latest information on Social Security work incentives. This will help you navigate your benefits while working. This is important information to know to ensure proper planning for the future.

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TRAIN Florida—APD's Learning Management System

Friday, June 10, 4:30 p.m.

Celebration 8

The Agency for Persons with Disabilities, Department of Health, and community partners are working together to provide training and resources to parents, caregivers, and service providers. Join this session to discuss the TRAIN Florida—APD's Learning Management System. Learn how to access thousands of courses and trainings, network with other state and federal agencies, Local and national organizations, and educational institutions.

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1. What is the Consumer Directed Care Plus Program (CDC+)? (English)

Friday, June 10, 4:30 p.m.

Celebration 5

The Agency for Persons with Disabilities will provide an overview and updates on the CDC+ program. The presentation will include the application and enrollment process, as well as program requirements as described in the CDC+ rule. A panel of parent liaisons will be present to share their experiences and the services they have used while on the CDC+ program. The second half of this session will allow the audience to ask questions.

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2. What is the Consumer Directed Care Plus Program (CDC+)? (Spanish)

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APD's Billy Joe Rish Park—A Park for People with Disabilities

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Participants will enjoy learning about the Agency for Persons with Disabilities' 98 acre beach park located on the Gulf of Mexico at Cape San Blas, which was built specifically for persons with disabilities and their families. The park has received funding for improvements. Participants will learn how this money will be used to enhance the park's access and features. More importantly, participants will learn about how they and their groups can have fun in the sun and on the beach without barriers.

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Meet APD Director Barbara Palmer

Saturday, June 11, 1 p.m.

Celebration 5

Florida Governor Rick Scott appointed Barbara Palmer director of the Agency for Persons with Disabilities in August 2012. Since then, APD has moved 1,600 people off the waiting list and ended the fiscal year without a deficit. Come and hear about Director Palmer's priorities for the agency in 2016 and beyond.

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3. What is Next for Consumer Directed Care Plus Program (CDC+)? (English)

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APD Partners with Mediware for a new Computer System helping Families, WSCs, and Providers

Saturday, June 11, 4 p.m.

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Exciting changes in the way the Home and Community Based Waiver will be administered by The Agency for Persons with Disabilities. APD has purchased a new software system that will replace and enhance current systems. Families and advocates will have access to their own records. The system will also be used extensively by waiver support coordinators and providers to arrange for services, ensure payment for services, support plans, assessments, case notes and much more. IConnect has the following goals:

- Improved Business Process Efficiencies
- Fraud Detection
- Measurable Outcomes
- Analysis and Reporting
- More Efficient Oversight

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