Fall 2016

The Self-Advocate

A Newsletter Produced by the New Jersey Self-Advocacy Project Team



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2016 The 33rd Annual New Jersey Statewide Self-Advocacy Network Fall Conference

"The Future is Self-Advocacy!"

Please flip to page 3 for the OFFICIAL REGISTRATION FORM Registration deadline is Friday, September 9, 2016

Also included in this issue of **The Self-Advocate**: Conference Schedule, Workshop Choices, 2016 Council Calendars, and T-Shirt Design!

Conference Schedule

8:30 - 9:30 am	Registration and Continental Breakfast		
9:30 - 10:00 am	Welcome and Opening Remarks		
10:15-11:15 am	Workshop Session A		
11:30-12:30 pm	Workshop Session B		
12:30 - 1:30 pm	Lunch in the Main Ballroom		
1:30 - 2:00 pm	General Session		
2:00 - 3:00 pm	Socialize, dance, & network!		

Workshop Choices

All of the following workshops are offered during both Workshop Session A and Workshop Session B. <u>Please indicate your first and second choices for</u> each workshop session on the registration form (page 3).

- I. <u>Transportation</u>: Getting Around In Your Community
- 2. <u>Self-Advocacy</u>: Know Your Rights!
- 3. Are You Prepared For an Emergency?
- 4. <u>Governmental Affairs</u>: Learning About the Presidential Election
- 5. Building Healthy Communication Skills
- 6. <u>Employment</u>: Knowing Your Rights on the Job
- 7. <u>Fee For Service:</u> Getting What You Want With Your DDD Budget
- 8. <u>Housing 101</u>: What Are My Options?

Registration deadline is Friday, September 9, 2016.

A \$10- late fee will be assessed to all registration forms received after this date.

The Future Is Self-Advocacy! Saturday, September 17, 2016 DoubleTree Hotel and Executive Meeting Center 200 Atrium Drive, Somerset, NJ 08873

*PLEASE NOTE: EVERY PERSON WHO PLANS TO ATTEND THIS EVENT IS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE A REGISTRATION FORM, DESIGNATE 2 WORKSHOP CHOICES AND PAY \$55.00. THIS INCLUDES STAFF, ADVOCATES, and PARENTS. *By completing this registration form, you permit The Arc of New Jersey the free use of your name and picture in any film/ videotape/brochure/newspaper or in reports and promotions of this event or future events.

Please note that the registration deadline is September 9th, with a \$10 late fee assessed to all registration forms received after the deadline.

First Name:	Staff Self-Advocate
Last Name:	
Mailing Address:	
City:	State: Zip:
County:	Phone Number: ()

E-mail Address: _____ Group Home: _____

Special Dietary Needs

Purèed Meal	Chopped Meal	Vegetarian Meal	Fruit for dessert
Yes, please!	Yes, please!	Yes, please!	Yes, please!

Conference Workshops

Please refer to page 2 of the newsletter for workshop choices.

Workshops	Time	Workshop Choices	1st Choice	2nd Choice
Workshop A	10:15 AM	Workshops 1 - 8		
Workshop B	11:30 AM	Workshops 1 - 8		

Please mail your completed registration form and \$55.00 payment by September 9th to

ATTN: Lorraine Seid, New Jersey Self-Advocacy Project,

985 Livingston Avenue, North Brunswick, NJ 08902

Please make all checks payable to The Arc of New Jersey

Credit Card #_

Amex() Master Card() VISA() Expiration Date

(Required) Signature x

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DoubleTree By Hilton

732.469.2600



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From Route I-287 North

Take exit 10 for Route 527 New Brunswick/Easton Ave. Follow Route 527 North to the first traffic light and make a left onto Davidson Avenue. Continue on Davidson Avenue for one half mile and make a left into Atrium Corporate Park. Follow to the front entrance of the hotel.

From Route I-287 South

Take exit 10 for Route 527 Easton Ave/New Brunswick. Follow Route 527 North and bear left toward signs for Davidson Avenue. At the first traffic light, make a left onto Davidson Avenue. Continue on Davidson Avenue for one half mile and make a left into Atrium Corporate Park. Follow to the front entrance of the hotel.

From the New Jersey Turnpike

Take Exit 10 for Metuchen/Edison to I-287 North. Follow directions above for I-287 North.

From the Garden State Parkway North

Take Exit 127 for I-287 North. Follow directions above for I-287 North.

From the Garden State Parkway South

Take exit 129 for I-287 North. Follow directions above for I-287 North.



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Annual T-Shirt Fundraiser



Sizes Available:

S - 5XL \$ 15 CASH ONLY T-shirts will be available for purchase AT THE CONFERENCE. Sorry, no pre-orders accepted.

NJSSAN Regional Council 2016 Meeting Dates

Ashley Ritchey, Advisor for Councils 1 & 2, can be reached at <u>aritchey@ArcNJ.org</u>

Council One:

Counties: Sussex, Warren, Morris, Hunterdon Counties: Union, Essex,

Bergen, Passaic, Hudson

Council Two:

October 20 November 17 December 15

September 22 October 27 December 8

Erin Caprara, Advisor for Council 3, can be reached at <u>ecaprara@ArcNJ.org</u>

Counties: Middlesex, Somerset, Mercer, Ocean and Monmouth August 9 at 710 Hermann Road, North Brunswick, NJ September 13 at 150 Oberlin Avenue in Lakewood, NJ October 11 at 2320 Camplain Road, Hillsborough, NJ

Caitlin Burke, Advisor for Councils 4 & 5, can be reached at <u>cburke@ArcNJ.org</u>

Council Four:

Counties: Camden, Burlington, Gloucester

September 12

October 3

November 14

Council Five:

Counties: Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, Salem October 19 November 16 December 21

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We are the **future** of **Self-Advocacy**!

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