10th Annual Developmental Disabilities Public Policy Conference

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Sunday, March 26 and Monday, March 27, 2017
Conference Days

Tuesday, March 28, 2017
Legislative Visits

Holiday Inn Sacramento Downtown - Arena
300 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

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Saturday, March 25, 2017
Meeting of California Conference of Executives of The Arc
(Granada/Hermosa)
10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Saturday, March 25, 2017
Meeting of Board of Directors of The Arc California
(Granada/Hermosa)
2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Sunday, March 26, 2017 & Monday, March 27, 2017
Keeping the Lanterman Promise Training and Breakfast
(Monterey)
$20 each (limited tickets available, advance purchase required)
7:00 am to 8:00 am

Sunday, March 26, 2017
ABLE Act Intensive
Continuing Education Course for Attorneys, Trustees, and Fiduciaries
(Diablo)
2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Sunday, March 26, 2017 & Monday, March 27, 2017
Registration 7:30 am to 3:30 pm
Conference Schedule 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

“It Can Wait”
Please visit the AT & T “Don’t Text and Drive” simulator
both conference days in the North Lobby to learn
about the dangers of distracted driving.

Tuesday, March 28, 2017
Capitol Visits
Conference Agenda  
Sunday March 26, 2017

Registration 7:30 am to 3:30 pm

7:00 am to 8:00 am: Keeping the Lanterman Promise Training & Breakfast
Limited Seating Ticketed Event

Sunday Morning Session: 8:00 am to 11:00 am
Sponsored by The California Endowment

Welcome and Recognition of Our Corporate Partner, Conference Partners, and Sponsors
Richard Fitzmaurice, President, The Arc California 8:00 am

Lanterman Coalition 2017: Policy View from Coalition Members
Tim Hornbecker, Interim Executive Director, The Arc California; Dwight Hansen, Hansen & Associates; Barry Jardini, Director of Government Affairs, California Disability Services Association; Jacquie Dillard-Foss, Chief Executive Officer, STEP; Rick Rollens, Association of Regional Center Agencies 8:10 am

The New Congress and New Administration: What’s at Stake and Where Things Stand
Peter Berns, Chief Executive Officer, The Arc of the United States 9:00 am

Break 9:50 am

Supported Decision-Making Explored and Explained
Thomas F. Coleman, Legal Director, Spectrum Institute 10:00 am
Attorney Tom Coleman will explore the concept of supported decision-making (SDM) from a legal perspective and explain how it differs from substituted decision-making mechanisms such as powers of attorney and conservatorships. Anyone considering SDM needs to address issues such as constitutional rights, legal capacity, undue influence, risk of abuse, conflict of interest, fiduciary duty, and legal liability. Finding the proper balance between respect for individual freedom and providing societal protection will be a theme running through the presentation. Time will be allowed for questions and answers.
Sunday Keynote Lunch: 11:10 am to 12:45 pm

Fundamental Rights in a Changing World: Now What?

Sponsored by The Arc of San Diego

Sue Swenson, Former U.S. Acting Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, U.S. Department of Education

Sunday Afternoon Session: 12:50 pm to 5:00 pm

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The ABLE Act (Achieving a Better Life Experience):
Past, Present, and Future
John Ariale, Principal Drafter of the ABLE Act, CLOAKROOM advisors; Christina Elliott, MPA, Executive Director, CalABLE Board
This legislation promotes independent living and community inclusion for people with disabilities. Learn how it came to be, who can really use it, and how you can access it in California.

12:50 pm

Break

2:00 pm

California Children’s Services (CCS): Transition to Managed Care
Ann-Louise Kuhns, President and Chief Executive Officer, California Children’s Hospital Association

2:10 pm

Self-Determination Program (SDP) Update: A View from the Perspective of Two Parents Who Fought for Years for the Passage of This Legislation (2013) and Chose This Path for Their Son (Age 49) With Severe Autism
Connie & Harvey Lapin, Parents, Autism Society of Los Angeles

3:00 pm
What does SDP really mean? When can we access this program? Who can use the SDP and how? What is the trade-off? How much work is involved? Why would I want to pay a fiscal manager or an independent facilitator on top of my services? What services are available for the SDP?

**LGBTQ Panel**

Nickole Renee Mensch, a transgender woman with Cerebral Palsy & a parent; Renee Fannin, a Lesbian, wife, mother and Supported Living Services provider; Jay Kalvoord, LGBTQ advocate and STEP program manager; Madison Needham, an autistic undergraduate at UC Berkeley, studying and researching the asexualization of autistic individuals.

**Reception: Sponsored by AT & T**
Sierra Ballroom

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**Conference Agenda**

**Monday March 27, 2017**

**Registration 7:30 am to 3:30 pm**

7:00 am to 8:00 am: Keeping the Lanterman Promise Breakfast, Limited Seating Ticketed Event

**Monday Morning Session: 8:00 am - 11:00 am**

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**The Current State of the 2017-18 State Budget**
Scott Graves, Ph.D., Director of Research, California Budget & Policy Center 8:00 am

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Break 8:50 am

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**Workforce Crisis and Why It Matters to Federal Medicaid Reform (HCBS rules)**
Barbara Merrill, Chief Executive Officer, American Network of Community Options and Resources (ANCOR) 9:00 am

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**Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Affordable Housing** 10:00 am
Mike Herald, Director of Policy Advocacy, Western Center on Law & Poverty

Monday Keynote Lunch: 11:00 am to 1:00 pm
Diversity and its Discontents: Towards a More Inclusive and Perfect Union
Sponsored by Therap Services

Jaideep Singh, Ph.D., Co-Founder, SALDEF (Sikh-American Legal Defense and Education Fund); Professor, University of California, Berkeley

Monday Afternoon Session: 1:00 to 5:00 pm

In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS)
This session will focus on federal and state activities that may impact IHSS consumers and providers.
Karen Keeslar, Executive Director, California Association of Public Authorities; Claire Ramsey, Senior Staff Attorney, Justice in Aging

Health Wellness: Implementing a Fun Health Assessment and Health Curriculum for Adults with Intellectual And Developmental Disabilities
Hayne Slocum, HealthMatters Trainer, The Arc of Alameda County, Shannon Jurich, Ph.D., Chief Compliance Officer, The Arc of Alameda County, and Tim Hornbecker, Interim Executive Director, Arc California

Break

California Blueprint: Employing Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities in California
“Real Work for Real Pay in the Real World”
Joe Xavier, Director, Department of Rehabilitation; Kristin Wright, Director, Special Education Division, California Department of Education; and Denyse Curtright, Work Services Section Chief, Department of Developmental Services

Closing Remarks
Richard Fitzmaurice, President, The Arc California

4:30 pm

Closing Reception: Sponsored by The Arc of Ventura County
Sierra Ballroom

5:00 pm

A Tribute to Tony Anderson & Farewell from The Arc
Entertainment provided by AKAlive
Sierra Ballroom

6:30 pm
Meet with Your Legislators on March 28, 2017

Tuesday, March 28, 2017

Capitol Visits

Please call your Senate and Assembly Representatives and make some time to meet with them while you are here in Sacramento. This is very important. Meeting with your representatives in your district is very important but meeting with them in Sacramento helps establish that relationship between an advocate and their legislator. There is still so much to accomplish in the complete turnaround of the developmental services system and your close contact with lawmakers will help make that happen.

Scheduling of legislative visits is the responsibility of the individual but if you need any help please give us a call at (916) 552-6619.
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