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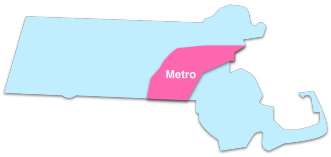
Happy July!



Our next meeting will be **July 21st, 2022 on Zoom from 6-7:30 PM**. We hope to see you there!

We are currently planning for an in person meeting in August. We initially had one scheduled for June, but unfortunately it needed to be rescheduled due to COVID. Stay tuned! Please email Valerie if you are interested in attending the person meeting.

Metro self-advocates had a busy month! Many of our members are involved with other self-advocacy groups as well. In the last meeting, the self-advocates updated each other about what their

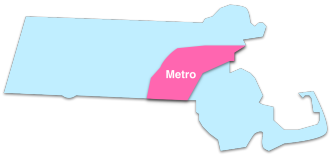


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groups were working on. We discussed specific legislative bills, like Supported Decision Making and another bill that focused on opening up records related to people with disabilities. Records kept by the state of massachusetts can be sealed off forever, and it applies to records about people with disabilities who were in institutions. We talked about how we could continue supporting those bills.

On June 25, Metro self advocates attended a conference hosted by the West Region Self-Advocacy group. There were workshops that focused on topics of self-advocacy. Temple Grandin was the keynote speaker for the conference and we enjoyed hearing her speech.

Enjoy the start of the summer! We hope to see you in July on Zoom.



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