



Families Helping Families

Supporting All Disabilities

July 2017 Webinars

Families Helping Families of Jefferson invites you to join us for our free monthly webinars. Our webinars provide attendees with important training on a variety of educational topics, supports and services available to individuals with disabilities and their families in the community. Webinar events are viewed right from your computer, where you can watch, listen and have the option to post questions and get LIVE responses. For a list of webinars, please visit our website at www.fhfjefferson.org then click on **“What’s Going On”** choose a topic, and register.

Transition for Youth with Disabilities - Exploring current supports and issues for transition age youth with disabilities.

This webinar will provide an overview of avenues and supports available to families preparing to transition their children to secondary and post-secondary outcomes. Graduation pathways, adult supports and other topics will be presented.

Date: Tuesday, July 11, 2017

Time: 11:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.

Guest Presenter: Richard Hall, OPSB Transition Coordinator

Audience: Parents, Caregivers, and Professionals of School-Aged Children/Students.

Registration link: <http://tinyurl.com/yboyqs5w>

Community is Caring: Perspectives from Support Coordination - What is Support Coordination? How to select agencies and why is it important to waiver services.

Date: Wednesday, July 12, 2017

Time: 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Guest Presenter: Whitney Darensburg, Support Coordinator Supervisor
AlphaCare Support Coordination, LLC

Audience: Parents, Caregivers, and Professionals of School-Aged Children/Students.

Registration link: <http://tinyurl.com/yd735vy3>

Navigating the Evaluation Waters: School versus Clinical Evaluations - This training will help parents understand the differences between an evaluation in the school setting and an evaluation in the clinical setting, it will also include an overview of the procedures used to complete an evaluation in the school setting for the most common exceptionalities.

Date: Friday, July 14, 2017

Time: 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Guest Presenter: Amber Boykin, NCSP, School Psychologist PBIS District Coordinator

Audience: Parents, Caregivers, and Professionals of School-Aged Children/Students.

Registration link: <http://tinyurl.com/yd6hlw33>

Summer Camps and the Americans with Disabilities Act - With school out, it's time to make other arrangements for the summer. Children with disabilities require and need recreation the same as other children. Under the Americans with Disabilities Act ("A.D.A."), a child is entitled to attend any camp or activity that non-disabled children attend, with modifications, and with a few exceptions. This training will provide an overview of who is protected by the A.D.A and more.

Date: Tuesday, July 18, 2017

Time: 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Audience: Parents, Caregivers, and Professionals of School-Aged Children/Students.

Presenter: Amber Weiland, FHF

Registration link: <http://tinyurl.com/yd8b9nvx>

Making my Voice Heard - You can make your voice heard by using self-advocacy. So why is this important to you? Because it gives you the power to speak up for yourself by making your own decisions about your own life including education, healthcare, and learning how and where to get information so that you can make better decisions that interest you. This webinar will give you basic self-advocating tips so that your voice is heard.

Date: Tuesday, July 18, 2017

Time: 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Audience: Parents, Caregivers, and Family Members of/and Self-Advocate Youth Ages 16 - 26.

Presenter: Raquel Castaneda, FHF

Registration link: <http://tinyurl.com/ho5q6p8>

Keeping Students in the Classroom: School Discipline & Students with Disabilities - This presentation will delve into school discipline laws in Louisiana and asserting Federal Rights for students with disabilities.

We will cover ways to be proactive and reactive to school discipline, and help you navigate the Manifestation Determination Review (MDR) process.

Date: Thursday, July 20, 2017

Time: 1:00 p.m.- 2:00 p.m.

Audience: Parents, Caregivers, and Professionals of School-Aged Children/Students.

Guest Presenter: Cheyenne Blackburn, Southern Poverty Law Center Outreach Paralegal

Registration link: <http://tinyurl.com/ybowp7cg>

Strategies for Overcoming Sensory Issues - An Overview of common sensory issues with adaptive solutions for accommodations and strategies. Join me and learn how to develop tools that can assist with sensory issues and much more.

Date: Tuesday, July 25, 2017

Time: 12:00 p.m.- 1:00 p.m.

Audience: Parents, Caregivers, and Professionals of School-Aged Children/Students.

Guest Presenter: Anne Delery McWhorter, Owner Quiet Calm, LLC

Registration link: <http://tinyurl.com/y9eoetx5>

Keeping Good Records: How to Create a Paper Trail - There are lots of reasons to keep your child's records. Having access to detailed information can help you partner with your child's teachers. Copies of official documents can also be useful if you ever have a dispute with the school about whether it's giving your child enough services or placing him/her in the most appropriate setting. This training will provide various options of recordkeeping along with a useful checklist.

Date: Wednesday, July 26, 2017

Time: 10:30 a.m.- 11:30 a.m.

Audience: Parents, Caregivers, and Professionals of School-Aged Children/Students.

Presenter: Minerva Flores, FHF

Registration link: <http://tinyurl.com/ybnokcw5>

Safety tips on Bullying, Internet Safety and Drugs - Easy tips students and parents can use to recognize and address the dangers of bullying, internet posts and drugs.

Date: Thursday, July 27, 2017

Time: 10:30 a.m.- 11:30 a.m.

Guest Presenter: Shira Hussain, Safe School Coordinator, Crimestoppers GNO

Audience: Parents, Caregivers, and Professionals of School-Aged Children/Students.

Registration link: <http://tinyurl.com/y73xfosz>

Basic Rights in Special Education - Whether you're new to special education or have been involved for a while, this workshop is for you. This presentation provides families with an introduction to their rights and responsibilities as parents of children with special needs under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

Parents begin to identify dreams and goals for their children, understand laws and learn advocacy strategies that will help them help their children reach those goals.

Date: Friday, July 28, 2017

Time: 10:30 a.m.- 11:30 a.m.

Presenter: Laura S. Nata, FHF

Audience: Parents, Caregivers, and Professionals of School-Aged Children/Students.

Registration link: <http://tinyurl.com/ycd49b77>

"Screening the Waiting List"- Have you gotten a call from someone at your local Human Service District regarding screening your or your child's needs? Are you unsure what this is about? Have you heard about a SUNS screening tool and want more information?

Confused about waiting lists in general and how Louisiana's system works for distribution of waiver slots? Join presenter Karen Scallan for discussion about *what's up* with the waiting list in Louisiana.

Date: Friday, July 28, 2017

Time: 8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Audience: Parents, Caregivers, and Professionals of School-Aged Children/Students.

Guest Presenter: Karen Scallan, Certified Parent Support Provider

Registration link: <http://tinyurl.com/ybghyowq>



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