

Advocacy Matters

A digital newsletter produced by the New Jersey Self-Advocacy Project

The Arc Partners with Rutgers for Transportation Research Project

The Arc of New Jersey has partnered with **Rutgers Center for Advanced Infrastructure & Transportation (CAIT)** to conduct a research project about how adults with disabilities use different forms of **transportation**.

The transportation research project will allow members of the New Jersey Statewide Self-Advocacy Network and Independent Self-Advocates to share their **opinions** as well as their **hopes** for the future of public transportation.

Participants will be asked to complete a **brief survey** (less than 10 minutes) that will be used to develop a report about the **positive** and **negative** aspects of current transportation options.

The **transportation research project** is funded through a grant awarded by the New Jersey Council on Developmental Disabilities.

To learn more about the project and how you can get involved, please contact **NJSAP@ArcNJ.org** or call **732-749-8514**.

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COUNCIL ONE OF THE NEW JERSEY STATEWIDE SELF-ADVOCACY NETWORK

HAPPY *SUMMER!*



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 _____

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. Please indicate your first and second choices for each workshop session on the registration form (page 3).

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



NJSSAN Regional Council

2016 Meeting Dates

Ashley Ritchey, Advisor for **Councils 1 & 2**, can be reached at aritchey@ArcNJ.org

Council One:

Counties: Sussex, Warren, Morris, Hunterdon

October 20

November 17

December 15

Council Two:

Counties: Union, Essex, Bergen, Passaic, Hudson

September 22

October 27

December 8

Erin Caprara, Advisor for **Council 3**, can be reached at ecaprara@ArcNJ.org

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 cburke@ArcNJ.org

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