

# The Self-Advocate

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



**SATURDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 29, 2018**

**The 35th Annual New Jersey Statewide  
Self-Advocacy Network Fall Conference**

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**\*\*Please Note\*\***

**We are going green! This newsletter will  
NOT be printed and mailed.**

# REGISTRATION

Registration will be \$60 per person,  
no refunds.

The registration deadline is  
Friday, Sept. 7th 2018.

All registrations received after this date will  
incur a \$10 late fee!

Registration is available online at [http://  
www.arcnj.org/programs/njsap/35th-annual-self-  
advocacy-fall-conference.html](http://www.arcnj.org/programs/njsap/35th-annual-self-advocacy-fall-conference.html)

You may also register by mail by printing and filling out  
the downloadable form below.

[Click here to download the Conference  
Registration Form](#)

## DIRECTIONS TO THE FALL CONFERENCE

The 35th Annual New Jersey Statewide Self-  
Advocacy Network Fall Conference

has a **NEW** location this year!

# THE WESTIN

## PRINCETON AT FORRESTAL VILLAGE

Address: 201 Village Blvd, Princeton, NJ 08540

Phone: (609) 452-7900

### From East

- Take Route 33 West to Route 571 West.
- Turn right onto Route 1 North.
- Continue on Route 1 North for 3 miles to the College Road West Exit.
- Go through the traffic light.
- The hotel will be on the left.

### From West

- Take Route 1 North to I-95 North into New Jersey.
- The road turns into I-295 South.
- Take I-295 South to Exit 67 (Route 1 North).
- Continue for approximately 6 miles to the College Road West Exit.
- The hotel will be on the left.

### From South

- Take Interstate 95 North, which turns into Interstate 295 North.
- Continue on I-295 North to Exit 67 (Route 1 North).
- Take this towards New Brunswick.
- Stay on Route 1 North for approximately 6 miles to the College Road West Exit.
- The hotel will be on the left.

### From North

- Take the New Jersey Turnpike South to Exit 9 to Route 18 North for 1/2 mile.
- Go to Route 1 South for approximately 13 miles to the College Road West Exit.
- Go through the traffic light.
- The hotel will be on the left.



**The Westin is Access  
Link Accessible!**

**[Click here for additional transportation options!](#)**

# **CONFERENCE**

# SCHEDULE

**8:30 AM - 9:30 AM:** Registration and Continental Breakfast

**9:30 AM - 10:00 AM:** Welcome and Opening Remarks

**10:15 AM - 11:15 AM:** Workshop Session A

**11:30 AM - 12:30 PM:** Workshop Session B

**12:30 PM - 1:30 PM:** Lunch in the Main Ballroom

**1:30 PM - 2:00 PM:** General Session

**2:00 PM - 2:30 PM:** Socialize, Dance & Network

## WORKSHOP CHOICES

At the event, you will be able to attend two workshops.

All of the following workshops are available for BOTH Workshop Session A AND Workshop Session B.

On your registration form, please note your first choice and second choice for EACH session in case your first choice is at capacity.

Your workshop selection will be labeled on your name tag at the conference.

1. **Transportation and Accessibility Advocacy**
2. **Supported Employment**
3. **Healthy Relationships and Dating**
4. **Support Coordination 101: Fee-for-Service, Medicaid, and Individualized Plans**
5. **Independent Living Skills and Emergency Preparedness**

## RECENT PHOTOS & EVENTS

### **FY19 Budget Hearings**

Members of the New

Jersey Statewide Self-Advocacy Network showed their support during a [Senate Budget Committee Hearing](#) at the State House to increase the wages of Direct Support Professionals.



## **Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month**

Members of the New Jersey Statewide Self-Advocacy Network accept an Assembly Resolution in honor of [Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month](#) at the State House.

## **Community Based Health and Wellness Events**

[Healthy Lifestyle Project](#) events across the state continue, such as caring for and learning about horses at Pony Power. Thanks you, [Horizon Foundation for New Jersey](#), for funding these events!



[Click here to view our event calendar!](#)

# 2018 COUNCIL CALENDARS

The New Jersey Statewide Self-Advocacy Network (NJSSAN) is made up of 5 regional Councils. All adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities are welcome to attend NJSSAN Council meetings. We encourage and challenge group members to learn about their rights, get involved in advocacy events, and speak out about issues that affect their lives.

## COUNCIL 1



Sussex, Warren, Morris & Hunterdon Counties

January 18	February 15	March 15
April 19	May 17	June 21
July 19	August None	September 20
October 18	November 15	December 20

5:00PM - 7:00PM

651 Willow Grove Street, Hackettstown, NJ 07840  
732-743-8345 - ARitchey@ArcNJ.org

## COUNCIL 2

Union, Essex, Bergen, Passaic & Hudson Counties

January 25	February 22	March 22
April 26	May 24	June 28
July 26	August None	September 27
October 25	November None	December 27

4:00PM - 6:00PM

Contact Erin Smithers for location information  
732-246-2525 x 26 - ESmithers@ArcNJ.org



## COUNCIL 3



Middlesex, Somerset, Mercer, Ocean & Monmouth

January 09	February 13	March 13
April 10	May 08	June 12
July None	August 14	September 11
October 09	November None	December None

5:30PM - 7:00PM

219 Blackhorse Ln., North Brunswick, NJ 08902  
732-246-2525 x 37 - MPearson@ArcNJ.org

## COUNCIL 4



Burlington, Camden & Gloucester Counties

January 10	February 14	March 14
April 11	May 09	June 13
July None	August 08	September 12
October 10	November 14	December None

4:30PM - 5:30PM  
1001 Van Buren Rd., Voorhees, NJ  
732-246-2525 x 20 - DPearson@ArcNJ.org

## COUNCIL 5



Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland & Salem Counties

January 17	February 21	March 21
April 18	May 16	June 20
July None	August 15	September 19
October 17	November 21	December None

3:30PM - 4:30PM  
1175 Dehirsch Ave, Woodbine, NJ 08270  
732-246-2525 x 20 - DPearson@ArcNJ.org



# New Jersey Self-Advocacy Project & Statewide Self-Advocacy Network

A program of The Arc of New Jersey since 1983

Promoting Advocacy and Independence for People  
with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

For more information check us out online at  
<http://www.njselfadvocacyproject.org>.

Don't forget to follow us on social media: [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Youtube](#)!

