

Statewide Best Practices and Home-Based Conference

The Arc of Illinois

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Ligas Family Advocate Program & Family Support Network

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The Family Support Network

The mission of the Family Support Network is to unify individuals with disabilities and their families to advocate for funding, services and community resources that strengthen and support the individual and the family directly by responding to their individual needs and empowering them to live in their own homes.

Goals for today

- Highlight critical role of families in the developmental disability system
- Consider creative ways to include self-advocates and families in system improvements
- Explore family experiences in Home-based Services
- Identify core best practices, with an emphasis on family and self-advocate inclusion, for Home-based Supports

Thank you to our Presenters

- John Agosta, Executive Vice-President, Human Resource Institute
- Amie Lulinski, Executive Director, The Arc of Illinois
- Tasha Whiteside, Director of Operations, Aces\$ Services
- Derek Hedges, Waiver Manager & Supervisor of the Medicaid Waiver Unit, IL Division of Developmental Disabilities
- Wanda Sumlar, Community Service Options
- Maureen Groth & John & Paige Stewart, Parents/Guardians & HBS Participants
- Eileen Morrissey, Director of Family Support, Envision Unlimited
- Andrea Medley, Strategic Planning Unit Supervisor, IL Division of Developmental Disabilities
- Shakari Asbury, Family Support Network
- Megan Mutti, Senior Ligas Family Advocate, The Arc of Illinois & Ruth Aguilar, Northern Illinois Ligas Family Advocate
- John Dickerson, Quillo Pro/Quillo Connect

