The Arc of Illinois Family to Family Health Information Center and Family Voices of Illinois Presents:



Family to Family Health Information Center

Illinois Health Care Coverage Options and Benefits Information for People with Disabilities

Virtual Conference | September 1, 2022

AGENDA

- 9:00-9:05: Welcome and Introductions Mary Dixon, F2F Director
- 9:05 -10:00: Medicaid Programs/Application Process, How "Spend Down" Works If Over-Income, & the Medicare Savings Program Jay Bohn, Medicaid Waiver Analyst for DHS-DDD

10:00 -10:15: BREAK

10:15 -11:15: Supplemental Security Income/Social Security Disability

Income: Josephine Mueller, Jack Myers, Megan Forristall, Social Security Administration

11:15 -12:00: COVID-19 Vaccination Efficacy, Statewide Access and Uptake for Children and Youth

Illinois Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics (ICAAP) Magale Avitia, Immunizations Project Manager Dr. Kruti Acharya, Board Certified Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrician, Associate Professor and Director of UIC Leadership Education in Neurodevelopment and Related Disabilities (LEND)

12:00 -12:30: LUNCH

12:30 -1:30: Programs of the Division of Specialized Care for Children (DSCC) & How MFTD Waiver Services Assist Medically Complex Children

Molly Hofman, DSCC Director of Care Coordination Erica Stearns, The Arc of Illinois Illinois Life Span Information Specialist, podcaster, and mother of two children on the Medically Fragile Technology Dependent (MFTD) Waiver

1:30 -1:45: BREAK

1:45 -2:30: Children with Disabilities—Patient Centered Services, Transition Planning and Services, and Expanded Access to Mental Health Services

Cassidy Chambers, Contracts and Data Manager, School Health Programs, IDPH

2:30 -3:15: DHS-DDD Waiver Services, Eligibility, PUNS Selections and Update Sarah Myerscough-Mueller, Interim Director, Division of Developmental Disabilities

About the Presenters

Jay Bohn began working for the State of Illinois Department of Public Aid KidCare Program (now AllKids) in 1999, then transferred to DHS-DDD in 2011. He is currently an analyst in the Medicaid Waiver Unit. Before his employment with the State, Jay worked for ten years in the private sector for Mental Health and Intellectual/Developmental Disability community residential agencies in Illinois and Oregon.

Josephine Mueller, Jay Myers and Megan Forristall are Public Affairs Specialists for the Social Security Administration. Together they have over 40 years experience with Social Security. They work together to cover the outreach needs for Social Security offices throughout the state of Illinois.

Magale Avitia, MHP, CHES is the Project Manager—Immunizations for the Illinois Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics since September, 2021. Previously, she worked as a Research Associate for the Study of Latinos (SOL) and has experience with planning, implementing and evaluating Public Health programs. She is passionate about serving individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Dr. Kruti Acharya is Director of the Illinois Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities (LEND) Program (illinoislend.org), an interdisciplinary graduate-level training program to develop leaders to care and advocate for individuals with disability, funded through the Maternal Child Health Bureau. As a physician, Dr. Acharya cares for individuals with developmental disabilities using a lifespan perspective from childhood to adulthood. She is particularly interested in supporting adolescents and young adults with developmental disabilities as they transition to adult-systems of care and beyond.

Dr. Molly Hofmann is the Director of Care Coordination, Systems Development and Education for UIC's Division of Specialized Care for Children (DSCC). Molly has been with DSCC for 5 years. She has her doctorate degree in nursing practice and has been a pediatric Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) since 2009. As an APRN Molly has worked with medically complex children and spent time conducting physical exams for children who were suspected to have been a victim of child abuse or neglect.

Erica Stearns is a Illinois Life Span Information Specialist for The Arc of Illinois. She is also the creator of the Atypical Truth podcast and mom of two children receiving services through DSCC's Medically Fragile Technology Dependent Home and Community Based Waiver. Erica serves as Chairperson of the DSCC Family Advisory Council as one of 22 family members from across the state participating along with two Division of Specialized Care for Children (DSCC) staff members to bring together families and DSCC staff and leadership to promote the delivery of participant- and family-centered services.

Cassidy Chambers is the Contracts and Data Manager of the School Health Program for the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH). She has a Master's degree in Healthcare Administration and has worked the last five years for IDPH, in the Office of Women's Health and Family Services Maternal and Child Health Division. In this role she works with over 65 Illinois School Based Health Centers and their staff to ensure access to robust healthcare for vulnerable populations, including children and teens with disabilities.

Sarah Myerscough-Mueller is the Interim Director of the DHS -Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) since June 17th of this year. Prior to this appointment she had been Chief of Staff for DDD since May, 2021. Before working for DDD, Director Myerscough-Mueller was a Senior Policy Advisor in the DHS office of the Secretary where she served as a policy liaison with the Governor's Office as well as working on a number of projects including working closely with DDD, Parites and the Court Monitor on the Ligas Consent Decree. She has also worked for an IDD Association, the Illinois Association of Rehabilitation Facilities (IARF), and held various roles in Illinois State Government.

Cost & Registration

Virtual Conference September 1, 2022 - 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Registration Fees for Participants are: The Arc of Illinois Members:

Professional.....\$ 80.00 Consumer/Family Member......\$ 40.00

Non Members of The Arc of Illinois:

Professional.....\$ 140.00 Consumer/Family Member......\$ 75.00

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"Illinois Health Care Coverage Options" September 1, 2022

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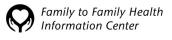
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