



Presents a series of workshops in recognition of Autism Awareness Month

April 5, 2011 @ 6:30PM - 8:30PM

“Guardianship & Estate Planning: What Parents and Siblings Need to Know”

Presented by: Hinkle, Fingles, & Prior, Attorneys at Law

As parents, we are concerned with our children’s future. Parenting a child with special needs magnifies this worry. This seminar will focus on the role of the siblings while planning for guardianship of your child with special needs. The importance of developing a stable financial strategy for your families short and long term future while considering all your children’s needs will be discussed.

April 13, 2011 @ 6:30PM - 8:30PM

“Oh NO!! It’s Time to Schedule that Appointment?”

Presented by: Rita Gordon, M.Ed., BCBA , Douglass Developmental Disabilities Center

Are you putting off scheduling haircuts, doctor or dentist appointments or just visiting Aunt Sally who lives in that very small and cramped condo? This presentation geared for parents of children on the Autism Spectrum will provide some “tried and true” strategies about how to plan, carry out and even (possibly) enjoy those overwhelming situations parents may face with their child.

Join us for an evening that will leave you feeling empowered to confront and tackle your most difficult moments.

April 15, 2011 @ 10:00AM - 12:00PM

“My Grandchild has Austim, Aspergers, or PDD-NOS”

Presented by: Annette L. Becklund, MSW, LCSW & Associates LLC

*****Please note, this seminar is held at Seabrook Village - 3000 Essex Rd, Tinton Falls, NJ*****

Do you have a grandchild with a unique and different way of being? Join us to learn about Autism, Aspergers, PDD NOS, and the “spectrum” concept. Share your stories, triumphs, glories, and concerns. Connect with others who are grand-parenting children with autism. Take home communication tips you learn from others. Find out how a grandparent's love can make all the difference.

April 21, 2011 @ 6:30PM - 8:30PM

“Everyday Technology—Unique Accommodations”

Presented by: Mike Marotta, Advancing Opportunities

As technology continues to evolve, we have an opportunity to accommodate people with disabilities using off the shelf technology. Come join us and learn how devices such as I-Pods, I-Pads, Kindles, and even your cell phone can be used as an accommodation for people with cognitive, physical and sensory impairments. Mike Marotta from Advancing Opportunities will highlight a range of other technology solutions, from low tech to high tech .

April 28, 2011 @ 10:00AM - 2:00PM

“Autism Awareness, Where is it for Adults with Autism?”

Presented by: Bret Li-Vaks, The Elizabeth M. Boggs Center on Developmental Disabilities

Bret Li-Vaks will touch on the major programmatic differences between childhood special education and services for adults with Autism. This training will also focus on strategies to assist youth and adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder’s prepare for and enjoy successful, community-based productive lives, through gainful employment. Strategies for success will include how to build both social and work-related skills, as well as on-the-job support strategies, and much more.

May 3, 2011 @ 6:30PM - 8:30PM

“Healthcare for People with Disabilities”

Presented by: Valerie Powers Smith, Representing Slovak, Baron, and Empey, LLP

Valerie Powers Smith will give an overview of healthcare service for individuals with disabilities. A spectrum of insurance information from private healthcare, Medicaid, Medicaid Waivers, and other entitlements from the state and federal governments will be covered.

Unless specified, all workshops will take place at:

Family Support Center of New Jersey - 2516 Route 35 North - Manasquan, NJ 08736

Registration is required. Call Cheryl at 800-372-6510 to reserve your seat.