

TRANSITION NEWS

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Upcoming Events

Guardianship vs. Power of Attorney

Sept 8, 2021
11:30am to 1pm

Join the ARC to learn more about Guardianship vs. Power of Attorney. This will help you decide the best fit for your family!

Adult Autism Waiver

Sept 13, 2021
10am to 11am

The purpose of the meeting is to provide updates on COVID-19 activities, answer questions, and provide support.

Social Security Disability Bene- fits

Sept 22, 2021
11:30am to 1pm

Join the ARC to learn more about Social Security and the various disability benefits your student may qualify for. This is a virtual program

Waiver 101 **Sept 23, 2021** 10am to 3pm

This two part virtual program will help you learn more about waivers that can support your student when they enter adulthood.

The Fight Goes On 2021

This year they are holding the first ever virtual Independent Living Conference hosted by the Centers for Independent Living of PA, OVR and PA Statewide Independent Living Council. As advocates in a cross-disability community, we are in the unique position to recognize the skills and services that when united, will enhance the Independent Living Movement and keep it alive for the next generation. Our conference theme is "The Fight Goes On". Disability rights advocate and Netflix documentary "Crip Camp" star, Judith Heumann, will deliver the opening day keynote. Judy will be highlighting the path and work done by amazing advocates in the fight for the Independent Living Movement over the decades and where the fight is going today.

[This will be held on September 14 to 16th and you can register here.](#)

Pennsylvania Autism Training Conference Art Show



The Pennsylvania Autism Training Conference will take place from October 5th to October 7th this year. This year's PATC is being held virtually, but we would like to offer artists on the autism spectrum an opportunity to showcase their fine art and crafts (for example, paintings and drawings, photography, jewelry, greeting cards, pottery, fabric crafts, etc.) on a virtual "art gallery" which will be linked to the conference materials on MyODP. The art show will consist of images of artwork supplied by the artists. If you are interested in learning more you can [click here.](#)

Pennsylvania Adult Autism Services

The information shared in this [site](#) is intended to communicate the Department of Human Services' efforts to enhance the quality of life and independence of Pennsylvanians with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), and to support their families and caregivers. The Office of Developmental Programs (ODP) supports children and adults with autism through services and supports available in four waivers—[Adult Autism Waiver](#) (AAW), [Community Living Waiver](#) (CLW), [Consolidated Waiver](#) and [Person Family Directed Support Waiver](#) (PFDS). In addition, the [Adult Community Autism Program](#) (ACAP), is available to adults with autism living in Chester County. **Each waiver and program has different eligibility and availability. It is important to read all the information to make sure that your student qualifies prior to applying.** If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Beth Heinz and we can work together to better understand your options.

Pennsylvania Council for Exceptional Children

The 2021 PACEC Conference & Expo THINKING ABOUT THINGS DIFFERENTLY will be an in-person event held at Normandy Farm in Blue Bell, PA. The PACEC Conference is an annual meeting centered around the special education community, including those who work with students birth to grade 12, administrators at all levels, and those working in higher education. Focused on professional development and networking, it's the prime event in Pennsylvania each year for the field of special education. The conference has a keynote speaker—Kerry Magro - and then four breakout sessions to help you network and knowledge. To learn more you can [click here.](#)

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