

The Alliance News



Operation: Community Access

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Vision

Our vision is for self-advocates to work together to get the support we need to live the life we want in the community.

Mission

Our mission is to speak up for ourselves and each other while working together to make changes in our communities and in Illinois.

The Alliance is proud to be an Initiative of the Illinois Council on Developmental Disabilities

**SPEAK UP AND
SPEAK OUT**
summit

October 31 – November 1, 2017
Wyndham Springfield City Centre
(formerly Hilton Hotel)
Springfield, Illinois

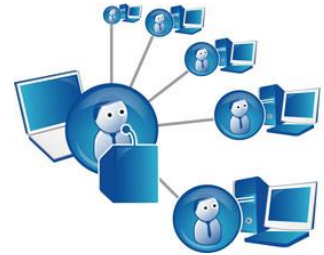
Check out www.speakupspeakoutsummit.org

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August 2017 Webinar Recording!**"Path to Self-Advocacy" Webinar Recorded Live on August 15, 2017**

Join Megan Norlin, The Alliance's Local Group Coordinator, as she reviews some of the history of the Disability Rights Movement; how the laws which impact our lives came to be; and discuss some small things you can do to make use of them.

Access the recording at <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/recording/8565902951072245249>

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Check out these videos to help you navigate the job search and employment processes as an individual with a disability or as an employer working with individuals with disabilities. The videos cover the ADA, Reasonable Accommodations, Assistive Technology and more. This video series was funded by the Disability Employment Initiative (DEI).

Check out the videos at

www.illinoisworknet.com/disabilityworks/Resources/Pages/Videos.aspx?utm_content=bufferd2112&utm_medium=social&utm_source=facebook.com&utm_campaign=buffer

People with disabilities are worried about the future of their services and supports. The Riot will host a National Conversation teleconference on this topic and in later issues of The Riot we will judge what policymakers have done. Did they make things better or worse? We are watching! We will be watching to see what you do to make sure that people with disabilities:

- Are heard and included in helping to decide on the policies that affect them.
- Have opportunities to be part of the community just like everybody else.
- Have access to good jobs.
- Have the opportunity to have loving relationships. YES, romantic ones.
- Have access to good healthcare.
- Have reliable, quality support workers.

To register, <http://www.theriotrocks.org/services/national-conversations>; please note the cost to be on the teleconference is \$20.

**Join Us for a
National Teleconference!**

We Are Watching!



Save the Date

October 5, 2017



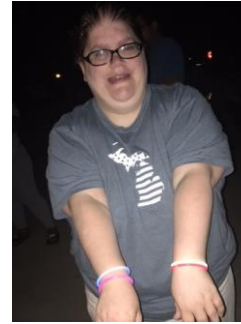
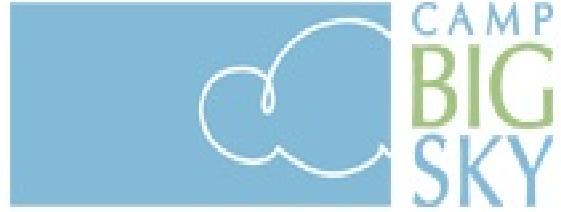
Hear from self-advocate leaders from around the country! Voice your opinion!

Get the details at

www.theriotrocks.org

Members of Alliance member group CTF Tigers (Homewood) recently experienced summer fun at Camp Big Sky. Fishing, boat rides, arts and crafts were just some of the memories made at camp. The mission of Camp Big Sky is to provide education, training, and skills development to children and adults with disabilities through participation in accessible outdoor activities. Camp Big Sky exists because, in everything they do, they believe in the value of every person and their ability to thrive.

Learn more by visiting www.campbigsky.org.



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