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New Website on Health Care

In July, the Obama Administration launched HealthCare.gov, a new online tool to connect consumers to information and resources to help them access quality, affordable health care coverage. This new consumer website provides unprecedented transparency into the health care marketplace. Through HealthCare.gov individuals have more control over their health care as informed and empowered consumers. This "first-of-its-kind" website is simple and easy to use, and provides one-stop shopping access to a wealth of information. It includes new consumer rights and benefits under the Affordable Care Act; a timeline of when new programs under the new law will come online between now and 2014; and a new insurance finder that will make it easy to find both private and public health insurance options. To access the website click on the following link:

<http://www.healthcare.gov/>

New Website on Self-Determination

Westchester Institute for Human Development (WIHD) has launched a new website on self-determination resources. NYMYWAY.org (Plan your future, Realize your Dreams!) can be accessed via the following link:

www.nymyway.org

Training Information

Recreation Inclusion: Tips and Tools

September 23, 2010 – 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Sunmount DDSO, Tupper Lake, NY
Service Coordinators will receive 3 hours of professional development.

The New York State Inclusive Recreation Resource Center at SUNY Cortland and OPWDD will be offering the Recreation Inclusion: Tips and Tools training. While recreation is key for our happiness and wellbeing, for many people with disabilities, identifying activities that are both physically accessible and socially inclusive may be challenging. To support the ongoing work and training requirements of Medicaid Service Coordinators and professionals who work with individuals with disabilities, the New York State Inclusive Recreation Resource Center has developed a new three – hour training focused on tips and tools for inclusive recreation. During this training, people who work with individuals of all abilities will learn to assess recreation dreams and goals, identify community resources and facilitate meaningful leisure experiences. To register click on the following link:

http://www.omr.state.ny.us/wp/wp_catalogp1356.jsp

Additional sessions for Recreation Inclusion Tips and Tools are planned. Register via the above link.

- January 25, 2011 – Broome DDSO – Binghamton
- February 4, 2011 - Metro NY DDSO - Manhattan

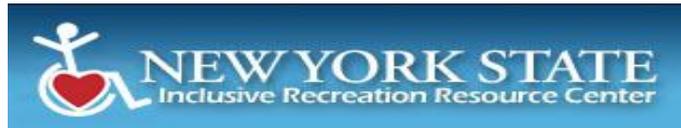
Inclusion U Training

September 24, 2010 – 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM
Paul Smith's College, Paul Smith's, NY
Service Coordinators will receive 7 hours of professional development.

The New York State Inclusive Recreation Resource Center at SUNY Cortland presents Inclusion U – a day long training that teaches attendees the foundations of inclusion, best practices in inclusion, and how to access inclusivity using the Inclusivity Assessment Tool. At the completion of Inclusion U, participants become Certified Inclusivity Assessors and are qualified to complete assessments of recreation sites, facilities and programs.

With grant funding, the first 12 Sunmount DDSO Region Medicaid Service Coordinators who register can attend Inclusion U for free. Once those spaces are filled, a limited number of additional MSC's can attend for a reduced fee of \$40.00. Please share this information with anyone who you feel may be interested in attending. An informational flyer is attached and a registration form is separately attached to this e-visory. For additional information, contact: Laurie Penney-McGee at: laurie.penneymcgee@cortland.edu

Please visit the NYSIRRC website at www.nysirrc.org to learn about other Inclusion U trainings around the state.



Invites You to Inclusion U

Become a Certified Inclusivity Assessor! Learn about best practices in inclusion and accessibility so that you can assess sites and facilities for physical, administrative, and programmatic inclusion. Help build a state-wide system that provides accurate and descriptive information about recreation places and spaces. Whether you are a person with a disability, family member, recreation provider, educator, student, or advocate, this training is for you!



The New York State Inclusive Recreation Resource Center, founded in January 2007, has become a state-wide training resource for people with disabilities, recreation and outdoor education providers, tourism professionals, and students who want to learn how to achieve inclusion and accessibility at their sites and facilities.

Full-day Inclusion U trainings:

- Teach best practices in inclusion
- Certify attendees to use the Inclusivity Assessment Tool
- Empower attendees to make a positive difference!

Over 800 Certified Inclusivity Assessors across the state have worked to increase accessibility and inclusion. Whether it is a park, bowling alley, library, or boating pier, information collected during assessments is now available in an on-line database to assist people with disabilities better plan their recreation.

Adirondack Region Inclusion U Friday, September 24th 8:00-4:30 PM

Paul Smith's College

Route 86 & 30, Paul Smiths, NY 12970

Pre-registration is required. The cost of this training is \$95.00 and includes the bound Inclusivity Tool Guide and tool kit. Payment can be made by checks payable to "The Research Foundation, SUNY Cortland." Also, please write "NYSIRRC" in the memo line. Please submit to: New York State Inclusive Recreation Resource Center, SUNY Cortland, P.O. Box 2000, Cortland, NY 13045. If you have questions about the training or need any accommodations to participate, please contact Project Coordinator Laurie Penney McGee at (607)753-4833 or laurie.penneymcgee@cortland.edu.

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Inclusion U Registration Form

1. Name:
2. Complete Mailing Address:
3. Phone Number:
4. E-mail Address:
5. Organization (if applicable):
6. Job Title (if applicable):
7. Date of Inclusion U you are attending:
8. Location of Inclusion U you are attending:
9. If you need any supports or accommodations to participate in Inclusion U, please describe:

Payment included for the following:

Inclusion U fee (includes training, tool kit, book) _____ \$95.00
 NYS IRRC royal blue polo shirt (OPTIONAL) _____ \$20.00 (size: _____)

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

- 1) Return the registration form by email attachment to: InclusiveRec@cortland.edu
- 2) Then mail a printed copy of the registration form **with** payment or purchase order to:
 NYS IRRC
 SUNY Cortland RPLS Dept.
 Box 2000
 Cortland, NY 13045

CEU's: Continuing Education Units are available for \$8.00. Forms will be available at training. If you would like to obtain CEUs, please bring a **separate** check in the amount of \$8.00 payable to "NYSRPS" to the training. (If you are a Medicaid Service Coordinator, you will be provided with a free certificate of attendance for your training file).

Cancellations: Substitute registrants can be named at any time. A full refund, less a \$20 service fee, will be given if notification is given 10 or more business days in advance of the scheduled Inclusion U workshop. Notifications of less than 10 business days will result in a credit that can be applied to a future Inclusion U workshop with NYSIRRC. If you do not cancel or attend, you are responsible for the entire payment.

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