Self Advocates in Leadership



SAIL UPDATE

November 2013

Happy Thanksgiving!

Thank You Representative Freeman and Martin for coming to SAIL!

We were excited to welcome Representative Freeman and his Legislative Aide Martin Moore to SAIL! Representative Freeman talked about a bill that he is working on concerning parents with challenges, including developmental disabilities. Many people were interested in following it. The bill should be dropped in the next couple of weeks. While they were at the meeting it was a good time to let them know about the 2 bills SAIL will be working on this session. Representative Freeman was very interested in both bills. Thanks again for coming! We are looking forward to working with both of you this session!

Bills For The 2014 Legislative Session

Strike One Service At A Time Language

This bill deletes language that people with developmental disabilities can only receive one service at a time. People who work only a few hours a week should be allowed to use their existing allocation to have a fuller life.

Minimum Wage For All People With Developmental Disabilities

This bill adds language to RCW 71.A that supports all people with developmental disabilities who are working should be paid at least minimum wage or higher.

A Note from the Chair

November 2013

Hello!

If you are interested in being elected to be the Chair of SAIL don't forget to think about what you would like to say. Also keep in mind we will be deciding on a design for this years button.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Sincerely, Corinna Fale, Chair of SAIL

Reviewed Documents and Made Final Revisions

At this meeting the group reviewed the draft 2014 Legislative Agenda and with only a couple of minor edits it was approved. The group also reviewed the one pager that will be used for the CAC Notebook. That page was also approved. Thank you so much for everyone's contributions on this!

Included in this mailing you will find SAIL's Final 2014 Legislative Agenda agreed upon by the group.

Invite Your Legislators for a Cup of Coffee, They Want to Hear Your Story

It can be much more relaxed this time of year!

Now is a great time to connect with your legislators before they get wrapped up in all that goes on during the Legislative Session. Right now they have time to sit down and listen to your personal story. That way when you come to do advocacy you will have already begun a relationship.

Advocacy Day is Coming Up!!

This year is a short session so there are not as many advocacy days to choose from.

January 22 Briefing/Reception

January 29 Supporting Families

February 5 Medicaid Services

February 12 Civil Rights

February 19 Independent Living Day

February 26 Employment

UPCOMING SAIL MEETINGS: Mark your calendar!

DECEMBER 10, 2013 MARCH 11,2014 JUNE 10, 2014

JANUARY 14, 2014 APRIL 8, 2014

FEBRUARY 11, 2014 MAY 13, 2014