



Self Advocates in Leadership

SAIL UPDATE

December 2014

At our November meeting we finalized the Legislative Agenda. Last changes were made to emphasize supporting mental health services. The final product was brought to the last meeting on December 9, 2014.

Thank you, Sheila Collins, for bringing information on the changes at DDA because of the new CMS rule. These are significant issues and we will be following up at the next meeting and beyond.

Welcome, Noah. The Arc and members from SAIL interviewed candidates to fill the position of self-advocacy coordinator. One of the main duties of this position is act as the administrator for SAIL. Several strong people applied and Noah Seidel was offered the position. His first meeting with us will be January 2015. We will spend some time welcoming him, getting to know him and informing him what is important to SAIL and the individual members.

The January 2015 meeting will include:

- ◆ Get Healthy with Sandy!
- ◆ Candidate speeches and the election of vice-chair
- ◆ Further information on the CMS rule
- ◆ Legislative session planning

A Note from the Chair

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Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a great holiday season. We have a lot of new things happening. I want to welcome Noah. I am very excited to have him on board and look forward to the changes that will come in this new year.

Finally, it is time for us to elect a new vice-chair. I want to congratulate all the nominees and wish everyone good luck. Remember to come prepared with your speeches.

We have finished our legislative agenda and we will plan our strategy for the upcoming session. Safe travels and be prepared for bad weather.

Sincerely, Anthony Nash II, Chair of SAIL

As the Legislative session begins,
here are a few terms and acronyms to refresh your memory

ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act
AG	Attorney General
Allies	Washington State Allies in Advocacy Coalition
ALJ	Administrative Law Judge
CRA	Civil Rights Act
CRPD	Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
DD Act	Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act
DDC	Developmental Disabilities Council
DRW	Disability Rights-Washington
EPIC	Equal Partners Interstate Congress
FERPA	Federal Education Rights and Privacy Act
FMAP	Federal Medicaid Assistance Percentages
FPL	Federal Poverty Level
HAVA	Help America Vote Act
HB	House Bill
HCBS	Home and Community Based Services (waivers)
HHS	Department of Health and Human Services (federal)
IDEA	Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
IDEIA	Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act
JAC	John A. Cherberg (Building)
JLARC	Joint Legislative Audit & Review Committee
JLOB	John L. O'Brien (Building)
LA	Legislative Assistant
LEAP	Legislative Evaluation and Accountability Program
MFP	Money Follows the Person
PFOW	People First of Washington
RCL	Roads to Community Living
RCW	Revised Code of Washington
RHC	Residential Habilitation Center
SAIL	Self-Advocates In Leadership
SAW	Self-Advocates of Washington
SB	Senate Bill
SNF	Skilled Nursing Facility
SOLA	State Operated Living Alternative
UCEDD	University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities
WAC	Washington Administrative Code