

Helping Families and Young Adults Protect Their Rights

Is for anyone who wants to gain a basic understanding of rights allotted under:

- Children's Special Health Care Services
- Community Mental Health Services
- Medicaid
- Special Education Services

Sessions provide information relative to:

- Timelines
- Complaint Procedures
- Appeals Processes

Participants will be provided with resources for groups and organizations available to assist in protecting a client's rights.

March 27, 2009

9am - 3pm
Wayne RESA
Room 223
33500 Van Born Road
Wayne, MI 48184
(734) 334-1300

April 17, 2009

9am - 3pm
United Way
116 E. 5th Street
Gaylord, MI 49735
(989) 732-8929

April 27, 2009

9am - 3pm
Island Resort
W399 Hwy 2 & 41
Harris, MI 49845
(800) 682-6040

May 4, 2009

9am - 3pm
Clinton County RESA
Early On Training & TA Center
13109 Schavey Road Suite #4
Dewitt, MI 48820
(800) 327-5966

Becoming A Family Support Network (FSN) Parent **

Is for parents of children and/or youth with special needs who want to volunteer as "Support Parents" within the Michigan Family Support Network (FSN). FSN Support Parents will learn about:

- Resources for Families of Children with Special Needs
- The Principles of Family Centered Care
- Steps to Maintain Confidentiality
- Communication Skills
- Benefits of FSN
- Steps to Problem Solving

April 25, 2009

9:00am - 4:00pm
and

April 26, 2009

9:00am - 1:00pm

Holiday Inn West Bay
615 East Front Street
Traverse City, MI 49686
(800) 888-8020

Supporting the Supporter **

Persons who serve as "Support Parents" need support too. This session is for experienced support parents. It provides an opportunity to:

- Receive updated Resources for Families of Children with Special Needs
- Share experiences
- Learn how to establish and maintain support groups
- Interact with newly trained FSN Parents

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**Scholarships May Be Available for Overnight Lodging, Child Care, and Transportation Expenses

The Michigan Family to Family Health Information Education Center

Is administered by the Family Center for Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs, a section of the Children's Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) program of the Michigan Department of Community Health. It is funded by a federal grant from the Maternal and Child Health Bureau.

The Center's 31 statewide partner agencies include the Association for Children's Mental Health (ACMH), the Citizens Alliance to Uphold Special Education (CAUSE), and Michigan Protection and Advocacy Services (MPAS).

All Trainings Are FREE!
CEU's Available!

To register for a session, visit
www.bridges4kids.org/f2f

Or call

The Family Phone Line:

1-800-359-3722



ASSOCIATION FOR CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH

**Citizens Alliance to Uphold
CAUSE**

Special Education

Providing Free Services to Families
and Professionals of Children with
Special Needs

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Michigan Family-to-Family Health Information & Education Center



Training Schedule
2008 - 09

How to Access Mental Health Services For Your Child Using Public or Private Healthcare Coverage

Provides families with detailed information on how to effectively utilize or get healthcare coverage in order to access mental health services for their child including:

- How and where to access mental health services?
- What is Community Mental Health and how can they help?
- What are the eligibility criteria for publicly funded programs?
- What is the array of services available through specific programs?
- What to do if you are uninsured?
- Understanding your private or public mental healthcare benefits.
- Understanding how Michigan's public mental health system operates.
- Tips for maximizing your benefits.

October 22, 2008

9am - 11am
Creative Enterprises
400 Green Acres Drive
Sandusky, MI 48471
(810) 648-0398

November 12, 2008

9am - 11am
Kent County Health Department
Lake Michigan Room
700 Fuller Avenue NE
Grand Rapids, MI 49503
(616) 632-7100

March 25, 2009

9am - 11am
Northern Lakes Community Mental Health
527 Cobb Street
Cadillac, MI 49601
(231) 775-3463

April 22, 2009

9am - 11am
Washtenaw ISD
Vogel A-B
1819 S. Wagner Road
Ann Arbor, MI 48103
(734) 994-8100

April 28, 2009

9am - 11am
Island Resort
W399 Hwy 2 & 41
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Is Your Teen Ready For Adult Life?

Is for parents of teens with serious mental health conditions. These teens often report that they would like help finishing school, getting a good job, finding a place to live, living on their own, and making friends. Information and practical suggestions will be shared for helping your teen prepare for the transition from high school to employment or higher education; from home to independent living; and from child to adult community services including:

- School-Based Transition Planning
- Mental Health Programs
- Substance Abuse Programs
- Post Secondary Training
- Employment
- Housing
- Human Services
- Family Planning and Parenting Assistance

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Planning For A Child's Health and Education

Provides parents and professionals with basic information needed to plan and advocate for a child's health and educational needs. It covers:

- Types of Public Health Care Coverage Available
- Special Education Laws and Rules
- Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP) and Individualized Education Plan (IEP) Processes
- Educational Due Process
- Health Preparedness Resources

October 27, 2008

9am - 3pm
Monroe ISD
River Raisin Room 3
1101 S. Raisinville Road
Monroe, MI 48161
(734) 242-5799

November 24, 2008

9am - 3pm
Saginaw ISD
Meeting Room
3860 Fashion Square Blvd.
Saginaw, MI 48603
(989) 399-7473

March 30, 2009

9am - 3pm
Van Buren ISD
Conference Center
490 S. Paw Paw Street
Lawrence, MI 49064
(269) 674-8091

November 7, 2008

9am - 3pm
Alpena Montmorency
Alcona ESD - AMA Room
2118 US 23 South
Alpena, MI 49707
(989) 354-3101

March 16, 2009

9am - 3pm
Charlevoix-Emmett ISD
Large Conference Room
08568 Mercer Blvd.
Charlevoix, MI 49720
(231) 547-9947

April 13, 2009

9am - 3pm
Marquette-Alger RESA
Conference Room A-B
321 E Ohio Street
Marquette, MI 49855
(906) 226-5100

Project Resilience: Train-the-Trainer

Is for individuals working with young people in faith based organizations, schools and youth groups in Wayne County. Participants will explore ways to give parents/caregivers, teachers, and others working with children the tools they need to make responsible decisions. Resilience focuses on the positive traits and protective factors necessary for children to become healthy and productive adults. Two day sessions will be held:

November 10-11

March 2-3

10am - 2pm
New Center Community Mental Health Services
2051 W. Grand Blvd.
Detroit, MI 48208
(313) 961-3780

January 12-13

May 4-5

Health Resource Support Parent Training

Provides resources and information on health care and public health insurance to persons who serve as "Support Parents" to fellow parents of children with special needs. Following the training, Support Parents will be able to provide families information and resources related to:

- Types of Public Health Care Coverage: MIChild, Healthy Kids, Children's Special Health Care Services
- Transition Resources: Plans and checklists to assist families in planning and involving their youth in health care decision-making processes. Representatives from the Michigan Protection and Advocacy Services and the Social Security Administration will discuss guardianship alternatives and applying for SSI
- Services available to children and families with Hereditary Disorders: Counseling, testing and service information
- Emergency Preparedness Resources: Plans and checklists to assist families with their child's health care in case of an emergency

November 8, 2008

9am - 4:30pm
Kewadin Hotel
Ontario I
2186 Shunk Road
Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783
(800) 539-2346

March 21, 2009

9am - 4:30pm
Macomb County ISD
Room 103 B
44001 Garfield Road
Clinton Township, MI 48038
(586) 228-3411

April 11, 2009

9am - 4:30pm
America's Best Inn
1609 S. Stephenson Avenue
Iron Mountain, MI 49801
(906) 776-8000

March 14, 2009

9am - 4:30pm
Holiday Inn Express
Tigers Room
5401 28th Street Ct. SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49546
(616) 940-8100

March 28, 2009

9am - 4:30pm
Branch ISD
Room 164
366 Morse Street
Coldwater, MI 49036
(517) 279-5730

April 18, 2009

9am - 4:30pm
United Way
116 E. 5th Street
Gaylord, MI 49735
(989) 732-8929