



March 25, 2016

More Regional Advocacy Workshops

The Council has kicked off our regional advocacy workshops in lieu of the regular Partners in Policymaking program in 2016. Workshops are hosted by Liz Gary, Partners in Policymaking Coordinator to provide a piece of Partners to people around the state who otherwise cannot participate in the regular Partners in Policymaking classes. All participants will receive information on how to become involved in systems change for individuals with developmental disabilities and how to become empowered advocates. Partners alumni are also encouraged to attend as a “refresher.”

Save the dates and stay tuned for additional information, topics, and workshop registrations as they are finalized. A \$10 stipend is available for individuals with developmental disabilities and family members of people with developmental disabilities who travel 50 miles or more roundtrip to a workshop. Contact the Council (robbie.gray@la.gov or 225-342-6804) with questions or if you will travel 150 miles or more roundtrip to ask if an additional travel stipend is available.

Please note that the Region 3 and Region 4 workshops on the legislative process have been rescheduled (See new dates below). Click the region/city below to register for the workshop.

[Region 3 - Gray](#)

DATE: Thursday, April 7, 2016 (**Rescheduled from 3/11/16**)
TIME: 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM
PLACE: Terrebonne Parish Library - North Branch (4130 West Park Ave)
TOPIC: What you need to know about the Legislative Process
SPEAKER: Liz Gary

[Region 4 – Lafayette](#)

DATE: Tuesday, April 12, 2016 (**Rescheduled from 3/22/16**)
TIME: 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM
PLACE: The Daily Advertiser - Community Room (1100 Bertrand Drive)
TOPIC: What you need to know about the Legislative Process
SPEAKER: Liz Gary

[Region 9 – Covington](#)

DATE: Saturday, April 16, 2016
TIME: 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM
PLACE: Trinity Church (19380 North 10th Street)
TOPIC: Creating a Valued Future: Organizing for Change
SPEAKER: Guy Caruso



Region 5 – Lake Charles (Registration TBA)

DATE: Friday, June 17, 2016
TIME: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
PLACE: Springhill Suites Hotel (1551 W Prien Lake Road)
TOPIC: Community Building
SPEAKER: Al Condeluci

Region 1/10 – Jefferson/ New Orleans area (Registration TBA)

DATE: Saturday, June 18, 2016
TIME: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM
PLACE: TBA
TOPIC: Community Building
SPEAKER: Al Condeluci

Region 7 – Shreveport area (Registration TBA)

DATE: June 2016 (Tentative)
TIME: TBA
PLACE: TBA
TOPIC: Inclusive Education
SPEAKER: TBA

