

Relationships & Intimacy: Preventing Exploitation Training Opportunities

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As part of the Council's 2020 Action Plan, additional training opportunities are being offered statewide to adult self-advocates and their family members or caregivers to increase their understanding of the issues that lead to and ways to prevent sexual abuse and exploitation of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities experience sexual abuse and exploitation at significantly higher rates than in the population at large. Unfortunately, individuals with intellectual and development disabilities are also more vulnerable to repeated abuse and exploitation when incidences go unreported. Many factors contribute to this increased risk including, but not limited to, a lack of understanding of human anatomy, sexual development, and healthy relationships.

Take advantage of this incredible opportunity to receive valuable information to protect yourself or a loved one! Each training session is free to attend, but you must pre-register as seating is limited. These training events are provided through a partnership between the Council and Team Dynamics, LLC.

The link to register for the next scheduled training in Metairie, LA is listed below. As additional trainings are scheduled, the Council's [web-page](#) will be updated with dates, times, locations and registration details.

Thursday, October 10, 2019 - Metairie

Eastbank Regional Library - 4747 West Napoleon Ave, Metairie, LA 70001

9:30 AM - 11:30 AM (Session for parents / family members)

[Registration](#)

In addition to these in-person training opportunities, self-advocates, their families and professionals are encouraged to check out the free webinars made available by the Association of University Centers on Disabilities. These informative and educational webinars cover topics such as healthy relationships, dating, intimacy, consent, safe sex practices and more. Click the links below for more information about each webinar and additional resources.

- [Advancing Sexual Self-Advocacy for People with Disabilities](#)
- [Sex Talk for Self-Advocates #1](#)
- [Sex Talk for Self-Advocates #2](#)
- [Sex Talk for Self-Advocates #3](#)
- [Sex Talk for Self-Advocates #4](#)
- [Sex Talk for Self-Advocates #5](#)

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