



GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON DISABILITIES & SPECIAL EDUCATION

Trust Meeting Update

Patrick Reinhart, Executive Director

September, 2018

Council Member News!

- **Council Chair**
 - Maggie Winston
- **New Council Vice Chair**
 - Corey Gilmore
- **New Council Members**
 - Sydney Kresbach, Self Advocate
 - Molly McManamin, SpEd
 - Cindy-Murphy Fox, DVR
 - Lizette Stiehr, AADD
- **Next Council Meetings**
 - October 2 & 3, 2018 – Anchorage
 - October 1-- statewide Face to Face on FASD
 - Feb 5-7– Juneau
 - May 7 or 14, 2018 – Anchorage/webinar





Disability Pride Celebration

- Events in:
 - Juneau
 - Kenai
 - Kodiak
 - Anchorage
 - Fairbanks



4th Annual Alaska Disability & Aging Summit

SPECIAL OLYMPICS ALASKA

3200 Mountain View Dr.

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

SEPTEMBER 26—27, 2018



Keynote address by Kim Champney, M.S.W.

"I live the life I choose with the support I direct."

The work behind this simple statement is changing the lives of Alaskans with disabilities. Kim Champney is coordinating an effort posed to revolutionize the way people with disabilities engage with services. She has spent 20 years working for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, focusing the past 18 months on person-directed cultural transformation.

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or

Register here:

<https://goo.gl/forms/6UAQPvyB4NX6RUz42>

Topics include:

Person-directed planning tools

Normal vs. abnormal aging

Assistive technologies for independent living

Emergency preparedness

Domestic violence, sexual assault, and elder abuse

Alaska's shared vision for service delivery

Legislative panel with local reps and senators

This activity has been submitted to the Montana Nurses Association for approval to award contact hours (CEs). The Montana Nurses Association is accredited with distinction as an approver of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. For more information regarding contact hours, please call Cynthia Thomas, RN, Care Coordinator at (907) 966-4227 for more information.

Presented by:

Alaska Disability & Aging Coalition

DON'T MISS IT!

September 26 & 27

Council staff:

Anne Applegate -
Legislative Town Hall
Facilitator

Lanny Mommsen -
Emergency
Preparedness
presentation

Peer Power Summit

AGENDA Items

- DD Shared Vision Update
- Waiver System Changes
- Friendship and Dating
- Civil Rights Movement
- Peter Leidy
- Employment
- ABLE Accounts
- And More



Second Annual Peer Power Summit
for Individuals with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities

Click **HERE** to Register
or visit:
<https://peerpower.ticketbud.com/summit2018>
The Deadline for registration is August 15th 2018

SEPTEMBER 29 AND 30
9 AM - 5 PM

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Supporting families who care for children with special needs

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Community Services

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Supported Decision Making Agreements (SDMAs)

Equality – Individualization – Accommodation

Three pronged approach to systems change:

1. Raise awareness
2. Develop Alaska standards and work plans with stakeholders
3. Institutional change



Supported Decision Making Agreements (SDMAs)

- Full Lives Keynote
 - SDMAs as part of Civil Rights Movement
- 29 Other Trainings (26 in since last Trust report)
 - Special Educators, Self-Advocates, Families, Service Providers, Guardians, Lawyers
- Work Group implementing and supplementing work plan
- Engaged in Statewide “WINGS”
 - Working Interdisciplinary Network of Guardianship Stakeholders
- House Bill 336 (Rep. Millett) SDMA Act bill
- Pilot Project Development and Start-up

STATUTORY FORM FOR SUPPORTED DECISION- MAKING AGREEMENT

(1) INTRODUCTION

I, _____, want to have one or more persons I trust help me make decisions, obtain and understand the information I need to make my decisions, and tell other people about my decisions. The people who will help me are my "supporters." I can name three supporters in this form. If I want to have more than three supporters, I can use a form that is substantially similar to this form to enter into a supported decision-making agreement with the additional supporters.

This is a written agreement between me ("principal") and each of my supporters. I can say in this agreement what kind of help each of my supporters will give me. A SUPPORTER APPOINTED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT DOES NOT MAKE DECISIONS FOR ME.

My supporters may share information with each other (select one of the following):
Yes [] No []

(2) SUPPORTERS

These are my supporters:

SDMA Summit with
local partners and
National SDM
Advocates,
November 15, 2018



The Governor's Council on Disabilities & Special Education presents

SDMA SUMMIT 2018

TIME TO BUILD: Supported Decision-Making Agreements in Alaska

Featuring Robert D. Fleischner, J.D., National Expert on SDMAs
SDMAs Around the Nation and the World

Breakout sessions for:

- Self-Advocates, Supporters, and Guardians
- Service Providers, Case Managers, and Care Coordinators
- Lawyers, Paralegals, and Non-Lawyer Advocates

9:00 am – 4:00 pm, November 15, 2018
The Arc of Anchorage
2211 Arca Drive
Anchorage, Alaska

Register at: [SDMA Summit 2018 Registration and Information](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sdma-summit-2018-tickets-49185327639)
(<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sdma-summit-2018-tickets-49185327639>)
Information: 907-269-8990

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Developmental Disability Committee Update:

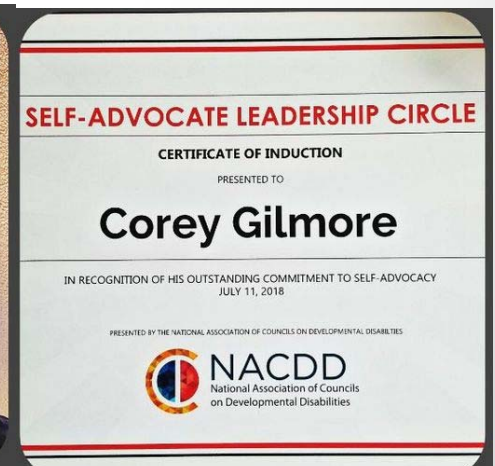


NACDD

National Association of Councils
on Developmental Disabilities

2018 ANNUAL CONFERENCE
JULY 9-12 • WASHINGTON, DC

- DD Committee chair & staff attended NACDD
- Staff attended technical assistance institute
- Council member inducted into the National Self-Advocate Leadership Circle



Developmental Disability Committee Update:

- **I/DD Registry** = Approx. 877 individuals (*as of June 2018*)
- **Individualized Supports Waiver (ISW)** and **Community First Choice (CFC)**
- **Settlement on Day Habilitation** between SDS and Alaska Legal Service/Disability Law Center
- **Companion Services** Exploration Group
- **Enabling Technologies** group also hard at work getting this demo up and running

Developmental Disability Committee Update:

- **EVV (Electronic Verification of Visits):** Federal bill signed extending compliance timeline to 2020 and 2021 (good faith efforts)
- **Safety Net Funds:** Individuals on the DDRR (registry/waitlist) who are Medicaid eligible but do not meet Level of Care (so cannot be served via waiver)
- **“Living Well on the Last Frontier”** --grant application proposal to federal Administration on Community Living (ACL)
- **Thanks to the Trust for supporting & partnering on this effort!**

Developmental Disability Vision Bill Signing



State of Alaska
Office of the Governor

Governor Bill Walker
requests the pleasure of your company at the
bill signing for SB 174

Programs for Persons with Disabilities

August 25, 2018
HOPE Community Resources
47202 Princeton Avenue
Soldotna, Alaska 99669

Governor's remarks and bill signing
4:15pm - 4:45pm

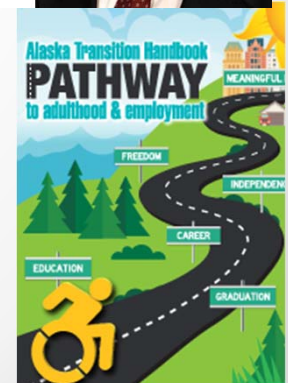


Employment and Transportation Committee Update:

- Now 5 Project SEARCH sites in Alaska
 - Thank you to the Trust for supporting expansion to Juneau!
- AIEI federal employment grant ends Sept. 2018
- Alaska SHRM 2018 Conference Keynote
 - Lou Orslene – Job Accommodation Network
- Kristin gave national presentation for TASH/ANCOR
 - RE: Alaska's innovative employer engagement efforts
- Transition Handbook Outreach 2018-2019
 - Postcards and flyers – electronic toolkit presence – coming soon!



LOU ORSLENE
Job Accommodation Network



Employment Update:

- National Governor's Association Employment Learning Lab in Madison, WI
 1. Enhance State as a Model Employer efforts in state government
 2. Enhance apprenticeship opportunities for Alaskans with disabilities
 3. Initiate an Employment First Taskforce or Commission
 - Called "Alaska Work Matters"
 4. Enhance Alaska's re-entry process and system to make employment/work experience an area of stronger focus
- October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month
- Council has again led the #ABLEtoSave campaign for Alaska – 181 Accounts for total of \$840 K: avg. account \$4,263



Special Education Update

- **Educating and advocating at the federal level:**
 - Letter to U.S. Department of Education on Equity in IDEA regulations (education)
 - Comment on the proposed budget for the U.S. Department of Education
 - Comment on proposed U.S. Executive Order on Regulatory Reform
 - Comment on Final State Plan for ESSA
- **Educating and advocating at the state level:**
 - Comment on proposed regulations for ESSA to Dept. of Education
 - Comment on proposed legislation creating dyslexia task force
 - Comment on the Alaska Performance Scholarship data collection
 - Comment and engagement on Significant Disproportionality methodology
 - Met with lawmakers on draft bill on educating Deaf students

Special Education Update

- **Conferences:**

- Stone Soup Group Statewide Parent Conference
- Alaska Statewide Special Education Conference
- Sealaska Culturally Responsive Education Conference
- Native American/Alaska Native Special Education Conference

- **Board meetings:**

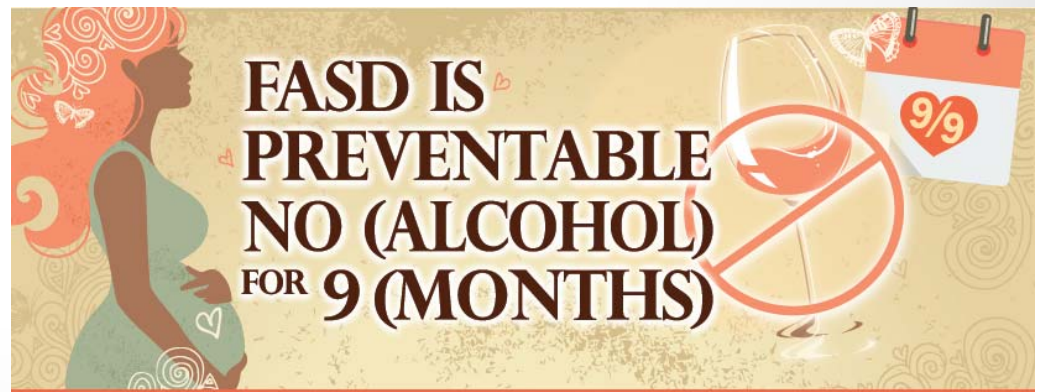
- SESA Board
- AK Advisory Board for the Education of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students (DEB)
- State Board of Education (and Leadership Council)
- ACT State Council

- **Issues/Actions:**

- Authentic Rural Transitions activities (especially in rural Alaska)
- Paraeducator Professional Development (PBIS and Anti-Bullying)
- Organizing Parent Town Hall on Restraint & Seclusion in Schools

FASD Work Group Update:

- The FASD 5 year Strategic Plan Priority areas are:
 - Primary Prevention of FASDs
 - Screening for and Diagnosis of FASD
 - Early Childhood and Education
 - System Transformation and Navigation: Youth and Adults
 - Community Outreach and Engagement
- October 1 is FASD Strategic Plan Planning Day
- September is FASD Awareness Month
 - Social media campaign for FASD awareness month (September) lead by Council & other partners
 - Moment to Moment film at the Beartooth 9/17



Early Intervention Committee/Interagency

Coordinating Council Update:

- Results review and discussion of next steps on early childhood expulsion survey (Learn & Grow)
- Adjustment of membership and operational procedures in accordance with SICC roles (10 new members)
- Development of infographics on SERVICES FOR YOUNG CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES (0-4 YEARS OLD) -- second draft currently under review
- Universal Developmental Screening Task Force met June 5th (28 members participated)



Autism Ad Hoc Update:

- Autism Ad Hoc Committee September 7.
- Heidi Kelly now Committee Chair
- Starting discussion on adult services for transitioning youth and available services
- Provided comments on Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) regs
- ECHO Charter Collaborative on Autism
- Continued explore ways to fund family navigation, such as Help Me Grow





Health Disparities

- Rated health as fair or poor (%)
 - 37.6 Alaskans with Disabilities
 - 7.8 Without Disabilities
- Obese (%)
 - 37.4 Alaskans with Disabilities
 - 29.5 Without Disabilities
- No leisure Physical Activities (last 30 days)(%)
 - 35.6 Alaskans with Disabilities
 - 17.0 Without Disabilities
- Have Diabetes (%)
 - 16.3 Alaskans with Disabilities
 - 4.8 Without Disabilities



Critical Efforts Coming up:

- Aging and Disability Summit. Sept. 26-27
- Self Advocacy Summit – Empowerment!!! Sept. 29-30
- FASD Face to Face. Oct. 1 followed by Council Meeting
- National Disability Employment Month--October
- Supported Decision Making – making it real!! Nov. 16
- Moving to Atwood



Questions:



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