

Self Advocates in Leadership

# SAIL UPDATE

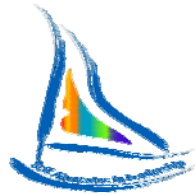


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Hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving Day!

Who was the winner of the Chris Purnell Award? Drum roll please. . .

## Chris Purnell Award Winner



### Jason Self

Congratulations Jason! Thank you for all of your help in strengthening SAIL!

You are part of a distinguished list of award recipients!

We look forward to working with you for a long time to come!



**Stop the Cuts! DRW wants to hear your story.**



DRW is trying to collect stories of how the cuts will impact you. If you have a story to share here is a way to contact them! Keep your stories in mind for session too!

The Governor's budget eliminates Medicaid payment for all prescription drugs and all physical occupational and speech therapy services for people living in the community. This includes all prescription drugs - even medications essential for the treatment of diabetes, epilepsy, mental illness, heart disease and other disabilities.

**We need to hear from you. These cuts must be stopped.**

If you have a story to tell about how the loss of medications or therapies will harm you, contact Disability Rights Washington at: 1-800-562-2702 x 101. TTY callers please contact us between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at 1-800-905-0209.

**You can also e-mail us at [yourstory@dr-wa.org](mailto:yourstory@dr-wa.org)**



**Food for the Meeting**



Since we have moved to our new location, there is only one cookie per person. Also there is diabetic choice being offered. Thanks for your cooperation!

## Yellow Card Included in this Mailing for Your Information

George Adams had a really good idea a few weeks back. He thought that all of the proposed cuts should be listed on a card that can easily be carried in your pocket or backpack. This is a very good "cheat sheet" if anyone asked about proposed cuts. Included in this mailing you will find a neon yellow card which is for your information, please share the information widely.

## Brian Dahl Comes to help SAIL with Several Things!

Brian Dahl of the Developmental Disabilities Council led a very lively discussion about the proposed cuts. No or low cuts to services is SAIL's number one priority. After talking about it the group voted to advocate for the following: Medicaid Prescription Drugs, Dental Services, Vision and Hearing along with Podiatry and Therapies. Brian also worked with the group on a satisfaction survey to be given to the DDC. Thanks Brian!

## Who was Chosen as the New Co-Chair of SAIL?

There was a great list of nominees at the last meeting for the Co-Chair position. These people included: Dale Colin, Corinna Fale, Susan Larson, Shawn Latham, Jason Pelerine, Mike Raymond and Jason Self. Thanks to everyone who is interested! Congratulations Corinna Fale! Corinna has been coming to SAIL for some time now and always brings well thought out comments to the table. She will be an excellent addition to our leadership team!



## A Note from the Chair



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Hello, Everyone!

I am very excited to be your new Chair of SAIL! It is going to be a rough year with the drastic cuts that are proposed by the Governor. Thank you for attending the last SAIL meeting. It is going to be a hard year and we will work hard this Session. We need to speak up and tell the Governor that the cuts will hurt us.

Sincerely,

Heather Harper, Chair



**Once I Get to the Airport, Where Do I Go?**



**Summit Room**

**Ticketing Level Between American and Delta Airlines,**

**Behind The Ticket Counter on the Back Wall**

**between Currency Exchange and Seattle's Best Coffee**

**Need additional information? Please call (206) 618-3818 on the day of the meeting**