



Self Advocates in Leadership

SAIL UPDATE

APRIL 2012

HAS SESSION ENDED?? YES!! FINALLY!!

Ed Holen Comes to SAIL



Ed Holen from the Developmental Disabilities Council came to talk to the group about the status of the budget. When he came to SAIL there still was no agreement. In fact, that day there was talk about the Governor making across the board 5% budget cuts. The day of the SAIL meeting was supposed to be the end of the Special Session. They were unable to adjourn by Midnight so a Second Special Session started and extended through the early morning hours of April 11th. Finally an agreement was reached! The Governor has until May 5, 2012, to sign the final budget. Thank you for all of your advocacy efforts!!

Chris Purnell Award Changes



The group had a long discussion about who should be eligible for the new Chris Purnell Advocacy Award. It was decided that the categories of people are: People with Disabilities interested in and participating in advocacy, Historically significant people to our states disability rights movement and the Support people who are critical to the success of people with disabilities being successful in their advocacy. As the months continue we will be refining this award even more. Keep thinking about people you would like to nominate for this great award. We want to continue the tradition!



A Note from the Support



April 2012

Hi Everyone!





















Corinna left for Washington D.C. yesterday. Since I am under a tight timeline, I thought I would fill in this month. So thankful to be able to bring the news that session has ended! I would suggest getting together with your legislators over the Spring/Summer! See you at the next meeting!

Sincerely,

Emily Rogers, Support to SAIL

Special for this month: The back of the newsletter has the latest budget Side-By-Side to share with friends who may not have seen it yet!

2012 Supplemental Budget Comparisons for Programs/Services for People with Developmental Disabilities

BUDGET ITEM	As Passed the Legislature 4-11-12	Governor
Retain Medicaid Personal Care services for 1,300 seniors and people with DD	~ 0 ~ 	
Retain Individual and Family Services (Includes Parent to Parent/Senior Families/Self Advocacy)	~ 0 ~ 	
Retain DD waivers	~ 0 ~ 	
Student transition funding for school districts serving children who reside in an RHC	250,000 	
Family to Family Mentor program for people moving out of an RHC	170,000 	
Increase crisis stabilization for people with DD in the community	~ 0 ~ 	
Fund 35 community residential placements for individuals with DD in crisis	1,300,000 	
Retain instructional and support hours for clients in community residential	~ 0 ~ 	
Retain community residential provider rates	~ 0 ~ 	
Retain home care agency reimbursement rates	~ 0 ~ 	
Study future of Rainier Habilitation Center for respite	600,000 	
Retain state-only employment and day services for clients not on a Medicaid waiver	~ 0 ~ 	
Fund supported employment for 161 transition high school graduates who are on a waiver	376,000 	
Restructure Medicaid Personal Care for adults - make it self-directed, hire financial intermediary	~ 0 ~ 	
Retain over-the-counter pharmaceutical coverage - <i>Health Care Authority</i>	~ 0 ~ 	
Retain prescription coverage for adults on Medicaid - <i>Health Care Authority</i>	~ 0 ~ 	
Retain dental for all adults with DD on Medicaid - <i>Health Care Authority</i>	~ 0 ~ 	
Retain school based Medicaid services - <i>Health Care Authority</i>	~ 0 ~ 	
Retain interpreter services - <i>Health Care Authority</i>	~ 0 ~ 	
Retain Adult Day Health - <i>Long Term Care</i>	~ 0 ~ 	
Fund clients in Office of Public Guardianship who are receiving services as of 6/30/12	274,000 