



A Full Life Ahead

Massachusetts Families Organizing for Change (MFOFC)

In partnership with

Martha's Vineyard Community Services (MVCS) and

Kennedy Donovan Center, Inc. (KDC)

"A Full Life Ahead" ~ a series of monthly workshops for parents and guardians of young adults with a disability. The series focuses on transition, employment, housing, friendships and other topics that will lead to interdependent, full lives in the community for young adults with disabilities.

Please join us ... **Wednesday, May 21, 2014**

5:00 – 7:00 PM

Centerville Recreation Building

524 Main Street

Centerville, MA

~The Alphabet Soup of Resources~

Come learn about Social Security programs; who is eligible, how and when to apply and general rules. Speakers will also explain the Personal Care Attendant (PCA) program—eligibility criteria and how hours are allotted based on need and the Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program. The Adult Foster/Family Care (AFC) program is an underused program that many families can benefit from. More families are using the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program/SNAP to purchase nutritious food at neighborhood grocery stores.

Speakers:

Social Security Programs – *Linda Landry, DLC*

PCA Program – *Lauren Blye and Susan Davis, South Shore Arc*

AFC Program – *Donna Wallace, KDC*

A light supper will be served and childcare provided on site.

A Session of YOGA for the Special Child taught by Jessica Melville will be held at the same time as each of the Full Life Ahead Series. These classes will be open to all, adults and children, with or without special needs. Spaces are limited. There are a limited number of mats available. First come first served. If you can bring a mat, let us know! Pre-registration is required.

Please RSVP:

Kathi Hackett, 508-693-7900 ext 249 khackett@mvcommunityservices.com or

Juliane Dillon, 508-385-6019 x 125 jdillon@kdc.org

May 28, 2014* (4th Wednesday)- Disabled Persons Protection Commission- Susan Love

Overview of M.G.L. c.19C

Identifying and Reporting Abuse of Persons With Disabilities

Learning Objectives:

- Learn about the role of the Disabled Persons Protection Commission
- Become familiar with important definitions within M.G.L. c. 19C
- Be better able to identify abuse and neglect, and how to report it
- Learn about the role and responsibilities of mandated reporters
- Become knowledgeable about the civil investigations process
- Learn about DPPC's State Police Detective Unit (SPDU), and what happens when crimes are reported to DPPC

June 18, 2014- Dietary considerations for Autism-James B. Adams; Presidents Professor and Materials Program Chair Arizona State University

To training will review current information Dietary, Nutritional, and Medical Treatments for individuals on the autism spectrum.

Directions:

From the Sagamore Bridge, take route 6 to exit 6 (132 Hyannis). Turn right off the exit ramp onto Rte 132.

Turn right onto Bearses Way, toward Hyannis Center. Follow straight through two sets of lights, a small rotary, and a stop sign. At the next set of lights take left onto North St. DDS is on your right (same parking lot as McDonald's).

Register by calling Vanessa at DDS at (508) 771-2595 or email at vanessa.staff@state.ma.us