

September
14, 2017

Illinois Health Care Coverage Options and Benefits Information for People with Disabilities

AGENDA

8:00 - 8:30 a.m.

Registration

8:30 - 8:45 a.m.

Welcome and Introductions:

- ◆ Meg Cooch, Executive Director, The Arc of Illinois
- ◆ Faye Manaster, Project Director, Family to Family Health Information Center/Family Voices of Illinois

8:45 - 10:15 a.m. - ***“Update on Medicaid in Illinois and Nationally”***

presented by Stephanie Altman, Assistant Director of Health Care Justice, Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law

10:15 - 10:30 a.m. - **Break**

10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - ***“Understanding SSI, SSDI and Medicare”***

presented by Sherri Schneider, Family Benefit Solutions, Inc.

12:00 - 1:00 p.m. - **Lunch** - **If you need a vegetarian meal or have any other special needs for lunch, please indicate on your registration form.**

1:00 - 1:45 p.m. - ***“Update on Medicaid Managed Care in Illinois”***

presented by Laura Phelan, Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services' Bureau of Managed Care

1:45 - 2:00 p.m. - **Break**

2:00 - 3:00 p.m. - ***“Update on Private and Marketplace Insurance”***

presented by Anthony Simonetta, Private Insurance Broker

3:00 - 3:30 p.m. - ***“Health and Disability Advocacy and You”***

presented by Meg Cooch, Executive Director, The Arc of Illinois
Questions, Discussion and Evaluation

3:30 p.m. - **Adjourn**

About the Presenters

Stephanie Altman is the Assistant Director of the Health Care Justice at Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law and specializes in Medicaid, Medicare, and health insurance issues. She represents clients in individual and class actions related to health care equity and also advocates for quality, accessible health care through administrative and legislative forums. Prior to working at the Shriver Center, she was the Programs and Policy Director at Health & Disability Advocates. Stephanie has also worked as an Assistant Professor of Clinical Practice at the Chicago-Kent College of Law and an attorney with the Legal Assistance Foundation of Chicago. Stephanie is on the board of Telligen and the Chair of the Legal Aid Committee of the Chicago Bar Association. She is also on the Illinois Navigator Training Team for the Affordable Care Act and the Illinois Older Adult Services Advisory Committee and Balancing Incentives Project.

Meg Cooch brings a passion for disability, aging and health policy, advocacy and organizing with her to The Arc of Illinois with her almost 20 years of nonprofit experience. Most recently, Meg served as the first Executive Director of the Illinois State Alliance of YMCAs, overseeing the formal development of the organization and leading the state public policy efforts and programmatic initiatives. Prior to moving to Chicago, Meg worked on federal level disability policy in Washington, DC as the Director of Policy and Advocacy for Lutheran Services in America Disability Network and as the Deputy Field Director for the Alliance for Retired Americans. Meg also has local experience working directly with individuals with disabilities, seniors, families and service providers at Planning for Elders, a grassroots San Francisco-based advocacy organization, where she worked in many capacities including as Executive Director.

Laura Phelan manages the Medicare-Medicaid Alignment Initiative for the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services' Bureau of Managed Care. She also provides support for the Managed Long Term Services and Supports and Dual Eligible Special Need Plan contracts and is an Account Manager for three Medicaid Managed Care health plans. Previously, Laura served as Policy Director for Get Covered Illinois, as a policy advisor to the U.S. Senate Committee on Finance, and as a budget analyst for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Assistant Secretary for Financial Resources. Laura has Master of Public Administration from the Maxwell School at Syracuse University and a BA in political science and business administration from Illinois Wesleyan University.

Sherri Schneider, President of Family Benefit Solutions, Inc., QDDP, and the mother of a child with special needs, has been tirelessly dedicated to helping individuals with special needs and their families. Her career began as a social worker in a CILA, where she helped those with developmental disabilities acquire the government benefits they so desperately needed, including SSI, Medicaid and food stamps. She helped launch one of the first CLF facilities funded under a Medicaid waiver. Sherri now meets with families to thoroughly assess their situations and pursue appropriate benefit assistance programs by personally guiding them through the application process. Families and professionals find her in-service expertise to be invaluable as they attempt to navigate the government benefit arena.

Anthony Simonetta is an insurance broker with more than thirty years of experience in the field. His area of specialization is employee benefit programs for employers of all types: not-for-profit organizations, large and small businesses and unions, all situated in the Chicago metropolitan area. He is skilled in supporting employees to become familiar with the complex details of their health insurance coverage options in order to make informed decisions.

Cost & Registration

September 14, 2017 - 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
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Registration Fees for Participants are:

Arc Members:

Professional.....\$140.00
Consumer/Family Member.....\$ 95.00

Non Arc Members:

Professional.....\$180.00
Consumer/Family Member.....\$130.00

The registration fee covers the cost of materials, refreshments and lunch. Groups of more than 7 from one agency are entitled to a 10% discount. Please complete the attached registration form, fax it to 815-464-5292, then mail the hard copy along with your check to:

The Arc of Illinois
20901 S. LaGrange Rd., Suite 209
Frankfort, IL 60423
815-464-1832

Notice of any special accommodations is required two weeks prior to the event. Contact The Arc of Illinois at 815-464-1832.

CEUs will be offered for this training. Licensed Social Workers, Licensed Nursing Home Administrators and QIDP's signing in and out on the day of the event are entitled to five (5) credits.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FAMILY STIPENDS

We have two options for **family/self-advocate stipends** for this event. (Stipends are not available for professionals receiving CEUs.)

1. F2F stipends are available for families and youth up to age 21 with any type of special needs, disability and/or chronic illness. **Call 866-931-1110 to apply for this option.**
2. The Arc of Illinois Consumer Stipends are available for parents of adult children over age 21 with developmental disabilities only. **Call 815-464-1832 to apply for this option.**

CANCELLATIONS & REFUNDS Participants canceling their registration 72 hours in advance will be entitled to a credit or refund, less a \$50.00 administrative cost. No refund or credit will be given for cancellation less than 72 hours before the seminar.

LOCATION

Doubletree Hotel
5000 W. 127th St.
Alsip, IL 60803
708/371-7300
ChicagoAlsip.Doubletree.com

Registration Form

"Illinois Health Care Coverage Options"

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One form per person, please print legibly. Your name will appear on your name tag as it appears on this form.

Name: _____

Job Title: _____

Agency: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

AMOUNT PAYABLE: _____

METHOD OF PAYMENT:

_____ Fax form and mail check to The Arc of Illinois
(815-464-5292)

_____ Check enclosed payable to The Arc of Illinois

_____ P.O. or State Voucher #

_____ Charge to my Credit Card _____

Name as it appears on credit card:

Credit Card Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____

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