

Power UP Your March with the Self Advocacy Power Network for All (SAPNA)

Speak Up about Waiver Changes Powers up Mar. 11!

More events are:

All about Jobs Mar. 1 & 16

All about Relationships Mar. 8 & 23

Power Talk with ODP Mar. 15

Your Vision for YOUR Everyday Life Mar. 18

And Save the Date for a Silly Songs Dance Party Apr. 1

Spread your power to friends and family!
Share this flyer with people you trust.
Families, staff, and guests are welcome
to listen and learn

SAU1 reserves the right to remove anyone from our events who does not follow our ground rules as explained on each call.



is a project of the PA Office of Developmental Programs (ODP), managed by Self Advocates United as 1 (SAU1).

More

info inside!

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Call 724 588 2378 or Email power@sau1.org

The day of the event, go online at sau1.me/zoom
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Photos of some of Our SAPNA Power Coaches.











Oscar

Renee

Derek

or

Gretchen

John

<u>Tues. Mar. 1</u> <u>1 to 3pm</u>

Wed. Mar. 16 10am to 12pm

Choose the day that works for you, or join both days to talk **All About Jobs!**

- Your rights
- Planning to work
- Finding a job
- Keeping your job
- · Workplace accommodations
- ODP funded services
- Other supports
- Work and your benefits

Tues. Mar. 8

1 to 3pm

Or <u>Wed. Mar. 23</u> 1 to 3pm

Choose the day that works for you, or join both days to talk **All About Relationships!**

We'll talk about:

- The different kinds
- How we make them
- Healthy relationships
- Unhealthy relationships
- What abuse is
- What to do about abuse
- Ways YOU can learn more!

Tues. Mar. 15 10:30 to 11:30 am

Power Talk with ODP!

Join us to talk about services, issues, and Covid.

Get the answers you need
to speak up and live your life, your way.

Call or email us by Mar. 3 with your questions and comments, and we'll share them with ODP.

Fri. Mar. 18

Check out the next 4 pages to speak up about Waivers on March 11!

Let's Talk about Your Vison For YOUR Everyday Life!

1 to 3pm

What do YOU want in your life? How do you make it happen? Who can help?

Learn how to plan for, and get, the life YOU want.

All SAPNA events are scheduled for eastern standard time and close captioned for those using video.

Speak Up about Waiver Changes

WHAT: the PA Office of Developmental Programs (ODP) wants YOUR comments on changes in waivers like the consolidated, community living, and person-family directed supports.

WHEN: ODP will consider comments it gets between February 12 and March 14, 2022.

WHY: ODP wants to find out what people think about the changes, and it is a rule that they must take comments from the public.

HOW: By mail, email, or through an online event. Look inside for how to mail or email.

SAPNA is hosting a Zoom call for self advocates to learn more and speak up!

Friday March 11, 10 am to noon

Look inside to learn more about the changes.

Talk them over with someone you trust.

Inside, you will find out how to join the Zoom call.

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During the call, we will talk about many things.

Some things to think about are:

What communication services can be done through the waiver?

Would more Communication Specialist services better help people who need them?

Should communication specialists get training from ODP? If so, what kind of training?

What exactly is remote monitoring for supports coordinators? Should that continue? Will that work best for people?

What education and experience should supports coordinators have?

Should remote supports be part of self direction?

Some more things to think about are:

Would more benefits counseling help more people get and keep jobs?

Would companion services at a job, help more people get and keep jobs?

Should supported employment be used for people who go on trips for their work? How might this help?

Would you like to have more control to direct your own services like Art or Music therapies?

Should the job of Supports Broker be clearer? Should they get recertified?

What do you think about being able to get personal protective equipment through your waiver?

Should there be provider qualifications for those who offer residential habilitation (like group homes)? What might those be?

Should there be provider qualifications for those who offer life sharing? What might those be?

Should there be provider qualifications for those who offer supported living? What might those be?

Write some ideas of your questions or comments so you are ready to Speak Up!

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Mail comments to:

Julie Mochon, DHS, ODP, 625 Forster Street, Room 510, Harrisburg, PA 17120.

Email comments to RAodpcomment@pa.gov using subject header "Waiver Renewal Comments."

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