

NEW YORK CITY DISABILITY PRIDE PARADE

On July 12, 2015 the Disability Pride NYC Parade will take place from Madison Square Park and proceed down Broadway to Union Square Park. The day will be a celebration of people with disabilities and all they have accomplished both prior to the passage of the ADA 25 years ago and all the civil rights activity that lead up to it. The parade will end at Union Square Park where the celebration will culminate with entertainment. We look forward to a great celebration with musicians, elected officials, celebrities and people from all over the city and the world.

DATE OF PARADE: July 12th

PARADE FORMATION TIME: 10:00 AM

PARADE START TIME: NOON

PARADE ROUTE: Madison Square Park, traveling down Broadway to Union Square Park

If you want to show your pride march with us, or just come hangout with friends.

REGISTER HERE: nyc.gov/ada25nyc

DISABILITY PRIDE NYC: disabilitypridenyc.com

▶ Autism Family Support Series

For caregivers of people with autism spectrum disorders (ASD).

Para grupos en español
favor de ver el reverso
中文請看反面

APRIL

Tuesday, April 21st 6:00pm-8:00pm
Autism and Anxiety

Grazyna Kusmierska, PhD, Licensed Clinical Psychologist, Premier HealthCare

Tuesday, April 28th
Autism in the Workforce: Options and Opportunities

Brooke Drexler, BBA, Manager, Corporate Relations in Day Services and Employment & Chris Bechler, BA, Supervisor Supportive Employment, YAI

MAY

Thursday, May 14th
ADHD in Individuals with Autism

Dina Larina, LMHC, RPT, Mental Health Clinician, YAI Center for Specialty Therapy

JUNE

Tuesday, June 2nd
Treating Social Skill Deficits in Children with ASD

Michelle Gorenstein, PsyD, Assistant Professor, Seaver Autism Center for Research and Treatment, Mount Sinai School of Medicine

Thursday, June 4th
Music Therapy and Autism Spectrum Disorder: Taking a Creative Approach

Elizabeth Balzano Riley, Board Certified Music Therapist, NYL Gramercy School

Thursday, June 11th
Q & A: Special Education Information and Updates

Lori Podvesker, MEd, Program Manager, Resources for Children with Special Needs

Monday, June 22nd
Understanding Self Direction: A Look at Person Directed Services

Laura Mitchell, LCSW, Manager of Clinical Services, YAI Autism Center

JULY

Thursday, July 2nd
Talking to Your Child About Their Diagnosis

Dina Larina, LMHC, RPT, Mental Health Clinician & Iris Varela, LMSW, Mental Health Clinician, YAI Center for Specialty Therapy

Tuesday, July 7th
Encouraging Your Family Member to Speak Up for Themselves: A Lesson in Self Advocacy

Tom Ott, LCSW, Residential Services, YAI & Steven Holden, Jr., Member of YAI New York City Self-Advocacy Association

Tuesday, July 14th 6:00pm-8:00pm
ABC's of AAC: A Lesson in Communication

Megan E Fucci, MS, CCC-SLP, Speech Language Pathologist, Manhattan STAR Academy Speech Clinical Supervisor, Lifestart

Wednesday, July 22nd
Behavior Management Strategies: Schedules and Routines in the Home

Justin Stanford, Behavioral Intervention Specialist, YAI

Summer 2015

Registration is required
Call ▶YAI LINK 212.273.6182
or go to yai.org/autismsupport

FREE
For parents and caregivers only – no children please.

Structure
First half: presentation
Second half: support

Location
460 West 34th Street
11th Floor
New York, NY 10001

Funded in part by NYS OPWDD and NYC Council's Autism Initiative.

All Sessions
10:00am to 12:30pm
except where noted

yai.org/autismsupport

► Autismo: Serie de Grupos de Apoyo para las Familia

Para proveedores de cuidado de personas con trastornos del espectro autista.

Verano 2015

JUNIO

Miércoles 17 **10:00am-12:30pm**

Como Ayudar a su Familiar a Conseguir la Maxima Independencia

Amel Mohamed Whiteside, LMSW,
Assistant Supervisor, Medicaid Service Coordinator, YAI

Jueves 25 **10:00am-12:30pm**

Sexualidad en Individuos con Autismo
Dina Larina, LMHC, RPT, Mental Health Clinician &
Iris Varela, LMSW, Mental Health Clinician, YAI Center for Specialty Therapy

JULIO

Jueves 9 **10:00am-12:30pm**

Sea Conciso y al Punto: Estrategias para Expresar Efectivamente sus Necesidades y Lograr sus Metas

Lisa Orbegoso, LCSW,
Clinic Liaison / Mental Health Regional Senior Supervisor, YAI

Jueves 30 **10:00am-12:30pm**

Como Asegurar un Buen Comportamiento
Dina Larina, LMHC, RPT, Mental Health Counselor &
Iris Varela, LMSW, Mental Health Clinician, YAI Center for Specialty Therapy

Necesita registrarse Llame a ► YAI LINK al 212.273.6182 o yai.org/autismsupport

Gratis
Para padres y proveedores de cuidado.
No se permite la asistencia de niños.

Duración
1ra parte: presentación
2da parte: grupo de apoyo

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► 家庭支持系列講座

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四月 APRIL

2015年4月21日星期二 **上午10點至12點30分**
Tuesday, April 21, 2015, 10am – 12:30pm

十大成功秘訣-如何獲得您需要的服務
Top 10 Tips for Success: How to Get the Services that You Need.

許安安, 華語諮詢專員, YAI LINK
Ann Hsu, MPH, Bilingual Mandarin Intake Specialist, YAI LINK

七月 JULY

2015年7月21日星期二 **上午10點至12點30分**
Tuesday, July 21, 2015, 10am – 12:30pm

自閉症群障礙症
診斷、應用行為分析法、以及提問與回答
Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD): The Diagnosis, Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA), and Q&A

花蕊淳 臨床心理學博士, SCO Family of Services
Wei-Chun Vivi Hua, PsyD, SCO Family of Services

八月 AUGUST

2015年8月18日星期二 **上午10點至12點30分**
Tuesday, August 18, 2015, 10am – 12:30pm

關於孩子的未來,您一定要知道的五件事
Planning for the Future's Things Every Parent Should Know

許安安, 華語諮詢專員, YAI LINK
Ann Hsu, MPH, Bilingual Mandarin Intake Specialist, YAI LINK

本系列講座將以華語(普通話)進行。
請撥打► YAI LINK 212.273.6182來報名。

免費
為家長與照顧者提供的講座,請勿帶孩童參加。

流程
第一部份:講座
第二部份:互助團體

地點:
YAI中央辦公大樓, 紐約市曼哈頓,
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MAY 2015
AHRC PROGRAM VACANCIES
www.ahrcnyc.org

Please look through this list of services offered by AHRC that have projected vacancies for May (or immediately) and contact the person indicated if you have someone who is in need of the service.

RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES:

Overnight School holiday respite openings: for residents of Brooklyn for August. Contact Referral and Information Center (RIC) at 212-780-4491.

Overnight Weekend Respite Program: Available in all boroughs for independent travelers and individuals that are able to self-medicate. Enjoy trips to upstate New York from Friday through Sunday to discover area attractions and seasonal activities. All individuals must be in the HCBS waiver. No cost, transportation provided. Call Alice McGlynn at (212) 780-2583 or RIC to make a referral.

Teen Saturday program: opening in Queens, ages 13 - 19, must be in the HCBS waiver, transportation provided, contact Alice McGlynn at 212-780-2583.

****SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION**** is now open for Camp Anne and The Lodge! Please contact the RIC for new registrations at 212-780-4491.

OVERNIGHT/EMERGENCY In-Home Respite Hourly Waiver Services to families residing in the boroughs of Queens and Manhattan. Emergency respite is temporary care of an individual with developmental disabilities provided on an emergency basis due to a family situation of extreme urgency, such as the hospitalization of a family member or unexpected travel plans. Emergency respite may be provided in individual's home or a family care home. Overnight respite is a service that provides relief to a caregiver who is responsible for the primary care and support of an individual with a developmental disability. When a family member or Family Care provider has to deal with such things as illness, emergency, and caregiver vacation; emergency respite services can ensure that your loved ones are safe and their needs are met. A caregiver must reside with the individual in the same household and be a primary caregiver. An eligible person should be OPWDD eligible. Eligibility must be established before a referral can be made. An eligible person should have a current Level of Care (LOC) determined. LOCs are needed for all waiver services. An eligible person should be enrolled in a HCBS Waiver program. If you believe that your families or individual(s) might benefit from Overnight or Emergency In-Home Respite, please contact, Luba Zborovskaya at 212-780-2340 and/or Gillian David, Intake Field Supervisor at 212-780-4482.

IN-HOME RESPITE: Waiting list for people ages 3 and over in Brooklyn, Manhattan, Staten Island, the Bronx, and immediate opportunities in Queens. Require proof of developmental disability. Contact the Referral and Information Center at (212) 780-4491 or 4493.

COMMUNITY HABILITATION: Waiting list for people from birth (with EI Service Coordination) and up in all 5 boros. Person must meet eligibility for Medicaid Waiver. Contact the Referral and Information Center at (212) 780-4491 or 4493.

OVERNIGHT RESPITE (out of home): Guests must be age 4 and up, and must be weight bearing if non-ambulatory. Cannot be seriously medically involved where extra nursing staff would be necessary. Staten Island is the only wheelchair accessible respite facilities. *Families should apply for respite before the need arises; the application has to be approved beforehand.* Contact the Referral and Information Center at (212) 780-4491 or 4493.

EMPLOYMENT and BUSINESS SERVICES:

Brooklyn Day Hab: Some of the services and activities provided are: personal hygiene skills, self care, socialization skills, money management, mobility training, life skills training, reading and writing, anger management, relaxation techniques, proper nutrition, healthy exercise and recreational type activities. Additionally, individuals volunteer at different sites and participate in diverse community events. Contact 212-895-3370.

Senior Retirement Services: Day Hab Without Walls program for individuals over age 55, must be a Bronx resident. Contact Ana Kuharik at 718 944-5099.

Bronx Day Hab Without Walls: This program offers the opportunity for community activities including volunteering and social outings. The premise is to prepare people to move out of the DH and into employment. Contact Ana Kuharik, 718-944-5099.

Staten Island Day Hab Without Walls: This program offers the opportunity for community activities including volunteering and social outings. The primary premise is to prepare people to move out of the DH and into employment.

Staten Island Janitorial Training program: Pre-Vocational training program for S.I. residents with DD 18 years and older. 11 weeks of training combining classroom instruction with internship at S.I. institutions. Upon successful completion, graduates will be placed in janitorial careers with high earning potential. For all S.I., call Candi Genovese, 718-981-3452.

Job Connection Center-Psycho-social Clubhouse (Brooklyn): A small innovative program, with highly trained and experienced staff, specifically designed to support individuals who are dually diagnosed (IDD/MI) in obtaining and maintaining a job. Call 212-895-3370.

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Youth Careers Training Programs: OSY Pre-Vocational training program for NYC residents with DD or LD and/or low income; 18–21 years old. 15 weeks of training combines classroom instruction with internship at major NYC institutions. Upon successful completion, graduates will be placed in Janitorial and Food Services careers. Enrollment is ongoing – there are openings for Janitorial and Food Services in Brooklyn, Janitorial Services in Queens and Staten Island. For Brooklyn, call Gohar Gharibyan at 212-895-3370 or Alexis Hines at 212-895-3380; for Queens, Derek Johnson at 646-210-0066 or Sonia Nieves at 347-723-1952 and for Staten Island, Anna Chakryan at 718-662-1432.

HIRE - Supported Employment, placement in jobs dependent on applicant's skills and abilities

Brooklyn – Sofiya Nibelitskaya, 212-895-3325

Queens – Derek Johnson, 646-210-0066

Bronx – Wayne Thomas, 718-944-5099

Staten Island – Candi Genovese, 718-981-3452

Manhattan – Isis Clark - 212-634-8673

ADULT DAY SERVICES: A variety of programs where individuals become valued community members in different ways, including volunteering, shopping, visiting local attractions, etc. The programs offer many life enhancing experiences in the arts, travel training, and vocational services. There are also programs that operate solely in the community, and in higher education programs in cooperation with local colleges. For more details, call Central Intake at 212-780-4493/4491.

Emergency Respite (Family Support Service): for Queens and Brooklyn residents - Emergency respite is temporary care of a person with a developmental disability provided on an emergency basis due to a family situation of extreme urgency, such as, but not limited to the hospitalization of a family member, unexpected travel plans or relief needed for the caregiver due to special circumstances. Emergency respite may be provided in the eligible person's home or an alternate location where the service of care can be provided. The person providing the service does not have to reside in the home of the person eligible for this service, nor does the service have to occur in the borough of the person's OPWDD registration. Call Michael Wright, 212-895-3467.

Nicosia Family Reimbursement: The service provides the opportunity to be reimbursed for purchased services and goods, and the possibility of purchasing services and goods that are not funded through any other sources. The goods and services have been deemed appropriate to meet the needs of the person being served. Criteria for grant: Reside in the 5 Boroughs and Eligibility. Call Michael Wright, 212-895-3467.

Intensive Behavioral Services This is a newly offered program in the Bronx the purpose of which is to provide Intensive Behavioral Services for individuals who live in non-certified or Family Care Homes and present with substantial challenging behaviors that put them at risk of placement in a more restrictive living environment. The service involves in home behavior management evaluation and treatment by psychologists who specialize in Functional Behavioral Assessment and Intervention. For information about the application or questions, contact Lisa Adorno at 718-643-2566.

Queens Intensive Parent Training: This family support program serves ID/DD parents who reside in Queens, who are living in the community and raising their children. This service provides education, parent training, intensive case management, and advocacy to help the parent improve their parenting skills and help keep children in the home with the parent(s). Criteria: reside in Queens County; parent must be ID/DD. Call Annette Spallino 212-780-2592.

Non-Medicaid Service Coordination: The service includes information and referral services, outreach, parent networking and service access assistance for individuals and their families. Service Coordinator is able to make connections with diagnostic, residential, habilitative, educational, vocational, medical and recreational services. In addition, the Service Coordinator can assist with accessing benefits and entitlements, such as Medicaid and SSI. Criteria for program enrollment: - reside in the five boroughs, No Medicaid and Eligibility. Call Sharett Bood, 646-845-6020.

Clinical Evaluation Reimbursement: The service provides the opportunity for individuals to receive clinical evaluations (psychological or psychosocial), who do not have Medicaid or their health plans do not pay for such testing. The clinician or vendor is reimbursed for the completed and approved evaluation. Criteria for grant: Reside in Manhattan and Eligibility. Call Michael Wright, 212-895-3467.

Article 16 Clinic Services: Ongoing vacancies in Manhattan for psychological and psychosocial evaluations, individual and group counseling and nutrition services. Ongoing vacancies in the Bronx for individual and group counseling, psychological, and psychosocial evaluations at our 2488 Grand Concourse Clinic. Services are available in English, Spanish, and Mandarin. Anyone interested in these programs should contact Clara Cordero at (212) 780-2387.

REHAB Services: Immediate openings for physical, speech, and occupational therapy. Call Robin Phillips at (212) 780-2762 for more information on how to request services.

FREE Psychological/Psychosocial Evaluations: AHRC Article 16 Clinic is offering Psychological Evaluations and Psychosocial Evaluations for individuals who are developmentally disabled that do not have Medicaid and are residents of Manhattan, Brooklyn, Queens, Staten Island, or the Bronx. Services are available in English, Spanish, and Mandarin. For more information or to make a referral call AHRC Central Intake at 212-780-4493 or 212-780-4491.

RESIDENTIAL: Anticipated and immediate openings in all boroughs. Details vary depending on the setting.

If you have any questions please contact: 212-780-4457. If you would like to make a referral, please contact 212-780-4491 or 212-780-4493.

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For information about YAI's programs & services, go to yai.org/link or call us at 212.273.6182 - age range & eligibility requirements vary

SUPPORT

Family Services

- Free Education Workshops – open to all. In English, Spanish & Mandarin
yai.org/fews
- Latino Conference - held entirely in Spanish
Tues May 12th yai.org/latino
- Community Habilitation - Must have OPWDD eligibility & MSC, Bklyn, Qns, Bx & Man
- Non-Medicaid Community Hab - For Qns residents without Medicaid
- Independent Living Program – 6 month classroom course for adults yai.org/ilp
- Parent training programs for parents of children with special needs and parents with special needs. In English, Spanish, Mandarin & Cantonese
- Crisis Intervention – In Qns & Man
yai.org/helpinacrisis
- Phone-in support groups - English & Spanish
- Resources & Supports presentations April-June. English, Spanish & Mandarin

Respite

- Overnight Respite - Qns & Bklyn
- Emergency Respite Reimbursement - Qns & Bklyn
- Queens After School Program

EDUCATION

Manhattan Star Academy – elementary school
manhattanstaracademy.org

WORK & LIVING

Day Services

Queens & Westchester Day Habilitation programs

Employment Services

Man, Qns, Bx, Bklyn, LI & Westchester supported employment programs

Residential Services

Contact YAI LINK for information on how to get on our residential waiting list and to find out about potential vacancies.

Social life, recreation, camping & travel

- Leisure Trax – vacations/trips for adults 18 or older yai.org/travel
- Evening & weekend recreation programs

HEALTH

Premier HealthCare

Ready availability with Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, Dental, call for other specialties

Center for Specialty Therapy

Qns & Bklyn: FREE Psychological and Psychosocial evaluations

AUTISM

- Family Support Group for Caregivers - in English, Spanish & Mandarin
yai.org/autismsupport
- Adult Yoga Group – for independent adults
- Social Skills Groups – Free social skills groups for children & teens in Man & Bklyn.
- Autism Assessments and Neuropsychologicals
yai.org/autism



► YAI LINK 212.273.6182 • link@yai.org
yai.org/link

QSAC

Day Habilitation Without Walls Manhattan & Bronx

Program Description: The Day Habilitation program offers individuals the opportunity to improve their vocational skills by participating in various community based volunteer training sites (i.e., retail stores, parks, community centers, etc). In addition, the program is designed to promote personal choice and independence at home and also out in the community. One day per week, individuals are offered the opportunity to participate in a recreational outing of their choice.

Hours: Monday – Friday 8:30am – 2:30pm

Transportation: Supervised transportation is provided to and from home, as well as to volunteer training sites and recreational outings.

Admission Criteria: The program is open to all individuals diagnosed with autism, or other developmental disability with autistic features.

Staffing: 2 individuals to 1 staff

For more Information, please contact:

Farzana Karim, Intake Department, (718) 728-8476, ext. 1233