

Parents/ Guardians-

I received an email with some information on some upcoming webinars that might be of interest to you. These webinars are being sponsored by Transition Matters of the Family Support Center of NJ where you can find resources to successfully transition your child with special needs to adulthood.

Please see the scheduled webinars below and go to the appropriate links to register for each session you have an interest in.

I encourage you to explore the TransitionMattersNJ.org website for archived webinars, upcoming sessions, and up to date transition related information that may benefit you and your family.

If you have any questions about these webinars you can contact:

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• • • **Debunking the Guardianship Myth:**

Presenter: Serra Weiss Guardianship Law Center

An overview of guardianship basics. It is not an all or nothing proposition.

Thursday April 10, 2014 – 12 noon to 1:00 p.m.

Link to register: <https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/673769118>

• • • **Social Security Work Incentives: Blueprint for Success Pt. 2:**

Presenter: Greg Makely - Director of Employment Services -Project Director, NJWINS

This session will include an SSDI Worksheet Example Case and information on Ticket to Work, Employment Networks, Continuing Disability Reviews, Timely Progress Reviews, and When Cash Benefits are Taxable. Questions will be taken on all subject matter from Social Security Work Incentives Parts 1 & 2.

This is meant to be a companion session to 'Social Security Work Incentives: Blueprint for Success' (Part 1), which is archived on our website for your viewing convenience. Those who wish to take Part 2 should review the archived session. Please use the following link to access Part 1 of this webinar series: www.transitionmattersnj.org/webinars

Thursday April 10, 2014 7:00 - 8:00 PM

Link to registration: <https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/716544734>

• • • **When Divorce and Guardianship Matters Collide:**

Presenter: Serra Weiss Guardianship Law Center

A legal puzzle or a pathway to independence? Making the pieces fit for your situation.

Wednesday April 23, 2014 – 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Link to register: <https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/534963390>

• • • **Support Coordination - What Every Family Needs To Consider**

Presenter: Trace Baxter – Caregivers of NJ - Assistant Director of Training

This webinar will provide an overview of what individuals and their families should be thinking about in regards to choosing a support coordination agency, as well as, working with the chosen support coordination agency to help facilitate a smooth transition to adult life. During this session, your webinar facilitator will elaborate on how support coordination can guide individuals and their families in planning and securing services to assist in taking care of oneself, community involvement, active employment, and considering other adult objectives and undertakings. Q&A will be taken at the end of the session.

Tuesday May 6, 2014 7:00 - 8:00 PM

Registration Web Link: <https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/501346502>

• • • **Representing Yourself in Court:** Presenter: Serra Weiss Guardianship Law Center

Navigating your way through the system. Being informed about the legal process of ProSe.

Thursday May 8, 2014 – 12 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Link to register: <https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/465298086>

• • • **Guardianship and Mental Health Issues:** Presenter: Serra Weiss Guardianship Law Center

Don't hit a tack with a sledgehammer. Making guardianship work based on individual needs.

Wednesday May 22, 2014 – 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Link to register: <https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/312950438>

• • • **Supportive Housing - How to Best Understand and Plan for One's Housing Future**

Presenter: Gail Levinson, Executive Director, Supportive Housing Association of NJ (SHA)

Supportive Housing is just that - Housing with Supports for people of low income who live with disabilities. The webinar will seek to answer basic information about available resources and how to create and implement a housing plan. The presentation will also provide realistic information to families about the importance of networking, educating oneself, thinking creatively while remaining patient and dedicated in the quest to find affordable housing opportunities with sufficient supportive services.

Tuesday June 10, 2014 7:00 - 8:00

Registration Web Link: <https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/669932198>

Thank you ,

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