Welcome to NYAIL’s 2017 Conference! The New York Association on Independent Living (NYAIL) is a membership organization representing Independent Living Centers throughout the state. We have more than 300 people with disabilities, older New Yorkers, Independent Living advocates and supporters of the disability community gathering to re-envision and re-energize the Independent Living movement as we prepare to face challenging times ahead.

Without persistent and sustained advocacy, drastic changes on the federal level threaten Independent Living Centers and the services and supports that keep people with disabilities out of institutions and in their communities. The time is now to revisit our **PURPOSE** – to advance and protect the rights and independence of people with all disabilities; consider our **PROGRESS** – we have much to lose, but still so much more to accomplish; and most importantly, recognize and harness our collective **POWER**. In this ever-changing landscape, unlikely alliances and intersectional activism will be essential to building our power. Thank you for joining us.

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Employability Skill Development for Transition Age Youth (Ferris B)
Youth Transition has been added as a 5th core service for ILCs, but transition has become a jargon word. It is used by schools, governments, and non-profit agencies as a noun; as an attainable service to smoothly move a child from their life as a student to a productive adult life. However, if we asked students what transition meant to them we would likely get a wide variety of answers. One ILC will highlight their unique approach to youth services to help empower and educate the people going through a transition with a focus on soft skill development.

- Hillary Nichols, Employment Coordinator, Resource Center for Accessible Living
- Leah Gherardi, Medicaid Service Coordinator, Resource Center for Accessible Living

Inclusive Planning, Partnership, and Collaboration in NYS Emergency Management (Sage II)
Niagara University has received a grant from the NYS DDPC to address the gaps in emergency planning, preparedness, response, and recovery as it relates to individuals with disabilities and access and functional needs. With a lawsuit that exposed the deficiencies in NYC, the onyx of responsibility calls out all emergency plans, and the personnel that construct them. Most municipalities have done little with no idea of where to turn. The only way the matter is addressed properly is through Core Advisory Groups that are disability diverse and promote active participation and advisement from educated advocates. This presentation will spearhead outreach to advocates from across the state while introducing the products that will be provided to attendees of regional training sessions.

- David Whalen, Project Director, Niagara University

Using Stories to Motivate Action for your ILC (Ferris A)
In this session we will discuss effective storytelling for social change, understanding audiences (journalists, funders, general public), writing compelling stories, and new tools for improving your ILC’s content.

- Jess Powers, Communications and Education Director, Center for Independence of the Disabled, New York
- Margi Trapani, Education and Training, Center for Independence of the Disabled, New York
Collaboration, Intersectionality and Solidarity in Opposing Legalization of Assisted Suicide (Roebling Library)
Throughout 2017, people with disabilities have confronted threats to our access to health care and our right to live in the community free of institutions, while simultaneously battling against assisted suicide laws pushed in the New York legislature and courts. While our ongoing fight for health care and in-home services is widely understood, many question disability opposition to legalizing assisted suicide. An experienced and diverse panel of disability advocates will outline both reasons and evidence for this opposition, enabling participants to dialogue on the issue. A key principle is that equal rights include equal suicide prevention. Participants will be introduced to the Live On! Project, a personal story telling video project to which they could contribute their own stories, designed to reach out to people with disabilities who may be contemplating suicide. Panel members will also describe how they have engaged in effective collaboration with other individuals and groups, from “strange bedfellows” on the right to intersectional communities on the left, to oppose a public policy of assisted suicide. Panel members will explore further opportunities with participants for providing disability leadership and building solidarity with a broader spectrum of advocates and potential allies on this issue.

- Anita Cameron, Director of Minority Outreach, Not Dead Yet
- Julie Farrar, Policy Fellow, Center for Disability Rights
- Gregg Beratan, Ph.D., Policy Analyst, Center for Disability Rights

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Keynote Speaker: Judith E. Heumann, International Disability Rights Consultant

Judith Heumann is an internationally recognized leader in the disability community and a lifelong civil rights advocate for disadvantaged people. She most recently served as the first Special Advisor for International Disability Rights at the U.S. Department of State from 2010 – 2017. She previously served as the Director for the Department on Disability Services for the District of Columbia, as the World Bank’s first Adviser on Disability and Development and in the Clinton Administration as the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services in the Department of Education.

For more than 30 years, Heumann has been involved on the international front working with disabled people’s organizations and governments around the world to advance the human rights of disabled people. She co-founded the Center for Independent Living in Berkeley California and the World Institute on Disability in Oakland California.

Heumann graduated from Long Island University in 1969 and received her Masters in Public Health from the University of California at Berkeley in 1975.
1:45pm - 3:00pm Concurrent Workshop Sessions

**HIV and the Disability Community: Advocacy, Services and Our Future**  
(Osborn Amphitheatre)

HIV and the Disability Community: These communities are tightly interwoven -- we must end the false divide. We have much in common to build on synergistically, including access tools/models, programs, and advocacy efforts. The New York State HIV Advisory Body will share efforts to include Disability Communities in HIV prevention/treatment discussions, including best practices to support sexual health conversation in different settings.

- Janet Goldberg, MPH, NYS HIV Advisory Body Member
- Julian Brown, Jr., Health Homes Outreach Team Lead, Trillium Health
- Christina Curry, Executive Director, Harlem Independent Living Center
- Daniel Fred, HIV Outreach Specialist/Health Educator, LGBT Network

**The Fight to Preserve and Improve Health Care for People with Disabilities**  
(Ferris A)

The latest update on the health care debate at the federal, state levels and how people with disabilities can advocate to defend Medicaid and influence health care policy decisions. This workshop will cover the latest landscape in the fight to preserve and improve health care at the federal and state levels considering both legislation and administrative actions that are being taken.

- Heidi Siegfried, Esq., Director of Health Policy, New Yorkers for Accessible Health Coverage
- Liliete Lopez, Peer Advocate, Center for Independence of the Disabled, New York

**Achieving the Transformation Vision: Update**  
(Ferris B)

The Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) system continues to implement significant changes aimed at enhancing supports and services for New Yorkers with developmental disabilities which will further advance the implementation of the recommendations and vision of the Transformation Panel. This includes a shift to managed care with the creation of Care Coordination Organizations, expected to begin operation in 2018, with the transition to managed care starting in 2019. In this session OPWDD Deputy Commissioner, JoAnn Lamphere, will provide an update on implementation of the transformation agenda.

- JoAnn Lamphere, DrPH, Deputy Commissioner, Division of People-Centered Supports, NYS Office for People With Developmental Disabilities

**NYSED Approved Online Entrepreneurship Training and Empowerment**  
(Roebling Library)

Universal Abilities provides accessible, career-oriented self-employment training, including but not limited to qualified persons with disabilities as a cutting-edge, viable employment alternative. This presentation will focus on providing qualified aspiring entrepreneurs with disabilities viable self-employment online entrepreneurship training.

- Richard Morfopoulos, PhD, CEO, Universal Abilities
LEADing DSRIP Innovations: Championing Mental Health Treatment in 21st Century Policing (Sage II)
Participants will learn about Albany's innovative Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) program. LEAD empowers officers to connect repeat offenders with untreated mental illness to community-based services and supports as an alternative to unnecessary incarceration. As a systems change initiative, LEAD seeks to coordinate the healthcare system with the criminal justice system. LEAD is being implemented in collaboration with Albany Medical Center and is funded through DSRIP. Presenters will discuss lessons learned and how LEAD was developed, implemented and evaluated as well as how centers can be catalysts in their communities to implement this program.

- Brendan Cox, Retired Chief of Albany Police Department & Director of Policing Strategies, LEAD National Support Bureau
- Lieutenant Melissa Gipson, Program Supervisor, Albany LEAD
- Officer Benjamin Peterson, Albany LEAD Subcommittee
- Keith Brown, Project Director, Albany LEAD

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ICAN – Navigating Your Managed Long Term Care Plan (Ferris A)
This workshop will focus on long term care (LTC) services provided by MLTCs, primarily the care needed for a person with a disability to independently remain in their home in the community. This includes durable medical equipment (DME), home care, medical transportation, home modifications, and other services. Participants will learn how to more effectively advocate with MLTC plans, and how ICAN - a network of Attorneys and other professionals funded by New York State - can assist them with navigating the MLTC environment.

- Charles Italiano, Esq., Health Advocate, Westchester Disabled on the Move
- Magdalena Klodnicka, Health Advocate, Westchester Disabled on the Move
- David Silva, Program Director, Independent Consumer Advocacy Network (ICAN)

Peer Advocacy as a Strategy for Resistance and Change (Ferris B)
CIDNY recently piloted a six month “Rapid Response Team” Peer Advocacy Program - a team of people who help organize people with disabilities to take action on disability rights issues. They are trained in advocacy skills to impact/change/resist policies that affect people with disabilities and mobilize our consumers and others interested in working systemically to improve the lives of people with disabilities. The advocates, along with their commitment to social change, also saw the program as a bridge to full employment. Presenters will share their model, lessons learned, and the future of project.

- Lourdes Rosa-Carrasquillo, Director of Advocacy, Center for Independence of the Disabled, NY
- Monica Bartley, Community Outreach Organizer, Center for Independence of the Disabled, NY
Domestic Violence and Disability: The Threat to Parents with Disabilities (Roebling Library)
The number one concern of women with disabilities nationwide is domestic abuse. One of the major reasons women stay in abusive relationships is the threat of losing their children, a real possibility with the bias against parents with disabilities in the child welfare system. This session will raise awareness of the issue of disability and abuse, and the bias in the child welfare system against parents with disabilities, as well as discuss strategies to advocate for parents with disabilities who are threatened with the loss of their children.

- Paul B. Feuerstein, President/CEO, Barrier Free Living
- Cynthia Amodeo, Chief Program Officer, Barrier Free Living

Self-Direction: The Roles, Responsibilities and Regulations (Sage II)
This session will give the audience an overview of what it means to be self-directing and in control of services. This includes: budget development and management, hiring and supervision of staff and the directing of services. Presenters will discuss the roles and responsibilities of the participant, the Broker, the Fiscal Intermediary and the regulatory agency.

- Heather Bumbolo, Self Direction Broker Manager, Resource Center for Independent Living
- Gloria Brewer, Self Direction Assistant Director, Resource Center for Independent Living

“Bottom Dollars” film screening (Osborn Amphitheatre)
Nearly 250,000 people are legally paid less than the minimum wage, on average, less than $2 an hour. “Bottom Dollars” is an hour long documentary that exposes the exploitation of people with disabilities through personal stories and expert interviews. It also presents clear employment alternatives with competitive wages and community inclusion.

6:30pm - 10:00pm
Dinner & Evening Program (Ferris A & B)

David Veatch Award Presentation: Stephanie Woodward
Stephanie Woodward is the Director of Advocacy at the Center for Disability Rights, Inc. (CDR), a member of ADAPT and a proud disabled person. Stephanie has swiftly become a state and national leader for disability rights, helping to lead direct actions to protect Medicaid and access to long term services and supports. In doing so, she helped bring national attention to how cuts to Medicaid would hurt disabled people and helped make ADAPT a household name.

Evening Entertainment: Giant Flying Turtles Band
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Keynote Speaker: Rebecca Cokley

Rebecca Cokley most recently served as the Executive Director of the National Council on Disability, an independent agency charged with advising Congress and the White House on issues of national disability public policy. She joined NCD in 2013 after serving 4 years in the Obama Administration including time at the Departments of Education, Health & Human Services, and a successful stint at the White House where she oversaw diversity and inclusion efforts. Currently she is consulting with civil rights organizations and working on her first book, but Rebecca got her feet wet in advocacy while working at the Institute for Educational Leadership for five years (04-09), building a number of tools and resources designed to empower and educate youth with disabilities and their adult allies. She has spent the last 15 years helping make stronger and deeper connections across civil rights communities and continues to see cross-movement solidarity as the only means of surviving these next four years. In 2015 she was inducted into the inaugural class of the Susan M. Daniels Disability Mentoring Hall of Fame and was the recipient of the Frank Harkin Memorial Award by the National Council on Independent Living. Rebecca has a B.A. in Politics from the University of California Santa Cruz.

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Ending housing poverty and homelessness with NLIHC (Ferris A)
Did you know that there is a shortage of 7.4 million rental homes affordable and available to the lowest income households across the country? Did you know that a household would need to earn an average hourly wage of $20.30 in order to afford rent on a modest 2-bedroom apartment? Did you know that only 1 in 4 households eligible for federal housing assistance receives it, due to chronic underfunding? Did you know that modern homelessness did not exist in America, as recently as the 1980s? Since 1974, the National Low Income Housing Coalition (NLIHC) has been dedicated solely to achieving socially just public policy that ensures people with the lowest incomes in the United States have affordable and decent homes. Come learn how you can get engaged in the movement to end housing poverty and homelessness in America through NLIHC’s research, policy analysis, and tools for effective advocacy.

• James Saucedo, Housing Advocacy Organizer, National Low Income Housing Coalition
ILCs and AAAs: Building Partnerships in the expanded NY Connects System
(Ferris B)
In January 2017 NYSOFA awarded contracts to six Independent Living Centers (ILCs), with each grantee responsible for a specific region of the state to further expand and enhance the delivery of long term services and supports to all populations. The six ILCs are to perform NY Connects core functions in partnership with the Area Agency on Aging (AAA) in each county in the region that they are serving. The collaborative relationships being developed as a result of this initiative will continue to substantiate NY Connects as a true No Wrong Door (NWD)/Aging and Disability Resource System. In this workshop you will receive implementation updates from the New York State Office for the Aging and hear from a panel of ILC and AAA staff who are successfully collaborating to provide NY Connects core functions at the local level. The discussion will reveal the variety of ways that partnerships can be manifested to achieve the same end goal - serving consumers in need.

- Laurie Pferr, Deputy Director, New York State Office for the Aging
- Maria Dibble, Executive Director, Southern Tier Independence Center
- Denise Figueroa, Executive Director, Independent Living Center of the Hudson Valley
- Jamie Kelly, Director, Broome County Office for Aging
- Carol Rosbozom, Rensselaer County Commissioner of Aging

Transitioning Nursing Home Residents with Mental Illness to the Community
(Osborn Amphitheatre)
People with mental illness are frequently being served in nursing homes. This workshop will review prevalence and possible reasons for this phenomenon. It will also provide information about tools used to assess mental illness in nursing homes and how they can be used to plan transition. Community services and supports such as Health Homes, SPOA and HARPs that can be used in transition will be described. Barriers to transition and possible solutions will also be presented.

- Glenn Liebman, CEO, Mental Health Association of NYS
- John Richter, Director of Public Policy, Mental Health Association of NYS

Health Plan Network Adequacy: Accessing Providers that Meet Consumer Needs
(Sage II)
This workshop will describe the time and distance standards and appointment availability times that Medicaid and Commercial Health Plans are required to meet when contracting with a network of providers to meet the needs of their enrollees and how these standards are monitored and enforced. This workshop will cover current standards for health provider network advocacy, describe preliminary findings of consumer listening sessions and solicit additional experiences and recommendations to improve network accessibility and performance.

- Heidi Siegfried, Esq, Director of Health Policy, Center for Independence of the Disabled, NY
- Bob Cohen, Policy Director, Citizen Action
Incarceration: Your Worst Nightmare as a Person with Disabilities

Jail and prison are very hard for everyone, but especially difficult to navigate for people with disabilities. This presentation will examine the conditions disabled people face in order to survive a period of incarceration as well as the difficulties encountered upon re-entry to the community. As people who work at Independent Living Centers, we will have formerly incarcerated consumers who will turn to us for help.

- Tinamarie Gunther, Board President, Southern Tier Independence Center
- Susan Link, Peer Counselor Supervisor, Southern Tier Independence Center
- Susan Ruff, Advocacy Director, Southern Tier Independence Center
- Dacia Legge, Lead Transition Coordinator for Open Doors Program, Southern Tier Independence Center

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ABLE Accounts, Trusts, and the Medicaid Buy-In: Financial Options for People with Disabilities (Ferris A)

There are several ways for individuals with disabilities in New York to maintain their income and savings and still qualify for Medicaid. The State is now implementing NY ABLE accounts, tax exempt savings accounts for people with disabilities. ABLE accounts are the newest option for people with disabilities who need to maintain savings for disability expenses while still qualifying for Medicaid and other programs. Attend this workshop to learn about the new ABLE accounts as well as other vital options, including the Medicaid Buy-In for Working People with Disabilities and pooled Special Needs Trusts.

- Anne Del Plato, Director, 529 Savings Programs, NYS Office of the State Comptroller
- Anthony Mignone, Assistant Director, Resource Center for Accessible Living
- Marsha Sweet, Director of SNT Pooled Trust, Center for Disability Rights

Achieving Systems Change Through Legal Action (Ferris B)

There are many avenues for advocates to achieve systemic change in their local community. Lawsuits can be an effective tool when other forms of advocacy have failed. Attend this workshop to hear Mel Tanzman from Westchester Disabled On the Move, and Susan Dooha from Center for Independence of the Disabled in New York (CIDNY), present on some of the successes they have had and how your center can use the legal system to make your community more accessible to everyone. Disability Rights Advocates (DRA), one of the leading nonprofit disability rights legal centers in the nation working to advance equal rights and opportunity for people with all types of disabilities nationwide, will present the lawyer’s perspective.

- Christina Brandt-Young, Senior Staff Attorney, Disability Rights Advocates
- Susan Dooha, Executive Director, Center for Independence of the Disabled, NY
- Mel Tanzman, Executive Director, Westchester Disabled on the Move
Fully Integrated Duals Advantage Program (FIDA): A comprehensive Medicaid and Medicare benefit package (Osborn Amphitheatre)

FIDA, the Fully Integrated Duals Advantage Program, provides eligible individuals with the most comprehensive Medicare and Medicaid benefit package of any other program in New York. Come to this session to learn about how FIDA works, who is eligible, what is covered, how care planning is completed, and more.

- Alissa Halperin, Department of Health Consultant

Diversity in Disability: Sharing Universal Design Principles with the Community (Roebling Library)

When we hear the word “diversity” we generally do not think of disability. This session will show participants how to connect these two topics for the community. Presenters will inform IL staff and other attendees about how to go about incorporating diversity into their discourse about disability.

- Rae Frank, Director, Independent Living of the Genesee Region
- David Dodge, Independent Living Specialist, Independent Living of the Genesee Region

Litigation and Legislative Update Article 17A: Tackling Self-Determination and Decision Making (Sage II)

In November 2012, New York’s Governor ordered the creation of the Olmstead Development and Implementation Cabinet charged with developing a plan consistent with New York’s obligations under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Olmstead v. L.C. decision. This decision placed an affirmative duty on states to ensure that the state’s services, programs, and activities for people with disabilities are administered in the most integrated setting appropriate to the person’s needs. The State’s Olmstead Plan challenged Article 17A of the Surrogate’s Court Procedure Act, a statute which places individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities under an one size fits all plenary guardianship. This session will examine current legal challenges to Article 17A and the legislative efforts to change the statute.

- Jennifer Monthie, Legal Director, Disability Rights New York
- Michael Gadomski, Staff Attorney, Disability Rights New York
- Shain Neumeier, Staff Attorney Analyst, Disability Rights New York

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