101 UPDATE on Important Rx Info, Abilities Expo and more

Dearest Advocates:

In the last newsletter, I gave you some important information regarding the use of Medicaid as secondary insurance and having problems in the past with the primary insurance wanting you to fill 90 day prescription refills via mail-order and Medicaid <u>not</u> wanting to pay the co-pay. I was given a process issued by Medicaid for refilling those prescription drugs. Please refer to Newswletter #100 at http://www.heidijmoore.com/newsletter/index.asp for this important information.

Since that time, I have gotten various email concerns from families stating that they tried the new "process" and were having difficulties. If you are continuing to have problems with SXC call center, please contact the following person at Medicaid (Please do not contact me):

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Also, please note the FREE Abilities Expo is being held this weekend November 6-8 at the Cobb Galleria Convention Center. More information below and on my website http://www.heidijmoore.com/events/index.asp. In addition, I have posted a flyer from Freedom Bikes that will be at the event. Great bikes for children and adults with disabilities. Check it out!

As we come close to the legislative session, I will be updating you on various ways <u>YOU</u> can get involved to make a difference for individuals with disabilities. Please see below an announcement from House and Senate Dekalb County Legislators wanting <u>YOUR</u> input and concerns during this legislative session. If you live in this county, now is the time to speak up. Especially for supporting the additional home and community based waiver slots for the NOW/COMP waivers. Right now the Governor's version has 1,500 new waiver slots but we need the legislators support as well.

If you have transportation concerns, now is the time to voice your opinion as well. See below for details.

Hope you find this information helpful.

"UNITED - WE WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE!"

Sincerely,

Hoidi

(Proud Mother to Jacob - 9 yrs old with Down syndrome and Jared - 8 yrs old)

"Help the Children Now, So They Can Help Themselves Later!"

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Abilities Expo this weekend:

- 1. FREE Registration, http://abilitiesexpo.com/atlanta/vregister.html
- 2. List of EXHIBITORS,

http://abilitiesexpo.com/expo/exhibitor list.aspx?show id=105#

3. ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY (AT) Pavilion,

http://www.abilitiesexpo.com/atlanta/pavillions.html#1

- 4. WORKSHOP Schedule, http://www.abilitiesexpo.com/atlanta/vsessions.html#
- 5. EVENTS Schedule, http://abilitiesexpo.com/atlanta/specialevents.html
- 6. FREE wheelchair maintenance,

http://www.abilitiesexpo.com/atlanta/showservices.html#1

7. DONATE Your Used Equipment,

http://www.abilitiesexpo.com/atlanta/showservices.html#1

- 8. SHOW SERVICES include sign language interpreters and guides
- 9. PLAN (Click on To Plan Your Expo Experience LINK), http://www.abilitiesexpo.com/atlanta/v.html

This planning tool was created for your convenience and is not mandatory. You may complete this form online or print it out and complete it by hand. Then bring it with you to Abilities Expo.

10. DIRECTIONS (includes information about Accessible Shuttle):

http://abilitiesexpo.com/atlanta/hotel.html

DeKalb County Legislators want your input for next legislative session:

Thursday, November 12, 2009

7:00 pm Chamblee United Methodist Church 4147 Dunwoody Road Chamblee, Georgia 30341

The joint Senate and House DeKalb delegation will be receiving public input for the upcoming 2010 Legislative session For additional information, please call (404) 656-0287.

United We Ride National Dialogue Wants Your Ideas on Accessible Transportation

<u>United We Ride</u> is holding a <u>National Dialogue</u> from November 2-13, 2009 to provide an opportunity for participants to discuss ideas to improve transportation services for people with disabilities, older adults and individuals with limited incomes in communities across the country. The Web-based interactive dialogue is designed to influence future transportation policies. United We Ride works to promote universal access to transportation for people with disabilities through training and technical assistance

Do you have a suggestion or an idea about how to increase access to affordable and reliable transportation services for people with disabilities, older adults, and people with limited incomes? Please join the Dialogue now at www.uwrdialogue.org to share your best ideas! Over the next 12 days, you have the opportunity to participate in an online dialogue with other national, state and local stakeholders.

Stakeholders like you can provide critical input to the Federal Interagency Coordinating Council on Access and Mobility (CCAM) and help the best ideas 'rise to the top' during the dialogue. Just click the link at the bottom to register for this free on-line dialogue! It is important that this dialogue be as inclusive as possible, so please spread the word.