

76 URGENT: Advocates Meeting with Office of DD Tomorrow -3/10/09

Dearest Advocates:

Tomorrow the Office of Developmental Disabilities is having its Advocates meeting (these meetings are held every couple of months). I just got confirmation of this information a few minutes ago. Dr. Steve Hall (Director of Office of DD) will be there to hear our concerns! If you can not attend, please try to conference call into the phone number below.

As many of you are aware, since the transition of the new disability waivers (NOW/COMP) there has been (for a lot of families) a loss of services and providers. The only way the Office of DD is going to deal with concerns of the families is to hear the problems and work on real solutions. Please do not assume that others are advocating for your child or adult with disabilities. We need to continue to educate those that don't understand the true impact and concerns our families have to the new waivers. This must be a united front and not just hearing from a couple of families---

Please make every effort to attend this meeting tomorrow! See below for additional meeting information. You will need to provide a photo ID in order to get a visitor pass to be allowed to the 26th floor at 2 Peachtree.

If you are on a waiting list, if you have the waiver and not getting services, or can't find providers to provide the services due to the change in rates effective 11/1/08, YOU need to attend.

In addition, if you are interesting in future Office of DD Advocates Meetings, please let the Arc of Georgia know you want to be placed on their distribution list.

Hope to see you there!

“UNITED – WE WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE!”

Sincerely,

Heidi

(Proud Mother to Jacob - 9 yrs old with Down syndrome and Jared - 7 yrs old)

“Help the Children Now, So They Can Help Themselves Later!”

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Advocates meeting will be held tomorrow 2 Peachtree St. 26th Floor 10A.M.-12P.M. For people who cannot physically attend, Eric Jacobson has generously provided a conference call number. It is

888-355-1249 code 232357.

Sincerely,

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