

The New York State Assembly Legislative Disabilities Awareness Day

**Monday
May 16, 2016
Albany, New York**

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You're Invited to:

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Dear Friend,

We are very excited to be sponsoring the New York State Assembly's Legislative Disabilities Awareness Day (LDAD), which will be held in Albany on **Monday, May 16, 2016**. Exhibitors will commence set-up at 8:00 am and the Opening Ceremony will begin at 10:00 am.

Disabilities Awareness Day allows us to inform members of the Assembly and their staffs on important issues while striving to highlight the accomplishments of advocates and persons with disabilities. We also make a tremendous effort to inform attendees of the latest services, programs and technology available.


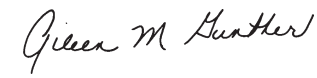
LDAD consists of many exciting events, to which we welcome New York's disability community and its advocates, members of the Assembly and honored guests. We will be hosting an exhibitor fair and two seminars on issues of interest to people with disabilities throughout the day. Also, a package of legislation that takes into consideration the concerns of disability advocates will be on the floor of the Assembly. We hope that you will join us.

Also, please remember to bring a valid photo ID and leave yourself enough time to navigate the security devices. If you have any questions, please call the Task Force office at 518-455-4592. We hope to see you on May 16th.

Sincerely,



David I. Weprin
Chair
Task Force on
People with Disabilities



Aileen M. Gunther
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Schedule of Events

- 8:00 am - 10:00 am** **Setup for Exhibitors**
The Well of the Legislative Office Building (LOB)
- 10:00 am - 11:00 am** **Opening Ceremony and Presentation of Awards**
The Well of the LOB
- Opening Remarks are expected to be made by:*
- Assembly Member David I. Weprin
 - Assembly Member Aileen M. Gunther
 - Assembly Member Steve Katz
 - Assembly Member Michael J. Cusick
- 10:00 am - 2:00 pm** **Elementary School Poster Contest Exhibit**
The Well of the LOB
- 10:00 am - 2:00 pm** **Exhibitor Fair**
The Well and Third Floor Terrace of the LOB
- Several organizations that serve people with disabilities will be present to distribute information about the products, programs, technology and services they provide and to answer questions.
- 11:15 am - 12:00 pm** **Seminar One - *Registration Recommended***
Hearing Room C, LOB
- “Implementation of Crisis Intervention Teams in New York State and Linkages with Mental Health First Aid”
- Moderator:*
- Glenn Liebman, *CEO, Mental Health Association in New York State, Inc.*

- 11:45 am - 1:00 pm** **Luncheon**
The Well of the LOB
- Remarks are expected to be made by:*
- Speaker Carl E. Heastie
 - Minority Leader Brian M. Kolb
- A selection of deli meats, salads and beverages will be served for LDAD participants to enjoy.
- 1:15 pm - 2:00 pm** **Seminar Two - *Registration Recommended***
Hearing Room C, LOB
- “Open Doors Transition Center and Peer Outreach Projects”
- Presenters:*
- Suzanne de Beaumont, *Transition Center Project Director*
 - Zach Garafalo, *Peer Outreach and Referral Program Director*
- 2:00 pm (tentative)** **Session**
Assembly Chamber
- A package of resolutions and legislative measures that is reflective of the concerns of the disability community will be considered by the Assembly on the floor.

In order to meet the needs of those who may have a disability, the Assembly, in accordance with its policy of non-discrimination on the basis of disability, as well as the 1990 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), has made its facilities and services available to all individuals with disabilities. For individuals with disabilities, accommodations will be provided, upon reasonable request, to afford such individuals access and admission to Assembly facilities and activities.