

Developmental disabilities resources from the web, DVD and classes

The Special Education Support Center

www.specialeducationsupportcenter.org

The Special Education Support Center website provides information and support to families, educators and community members who have an interest in locating and understanding special education services. In addition, the site provides information on instructional practices, agency services for students with disabilities and listings of post-high school opportunities for students. Go to the website above or call tollfree **1-877-843-1343**.

DDD DVDs available

If you are interested in ordering the following DVD titles e-mail Linda Walling at the Developmental Disabilities Council at lindaw@cted.wa.gov with your contact information:

Navigating Your Way: A Roadmap for

Families with a Child with a Developmental Disability

The DDD Assessment: An Overview of the Assessment Process

DDD: The Fair Hearing Process

DDD Complaint Process

DDD Working Age Adult Policy

To Order -you can follow the link below, online, to download the order form

http://www.informingfamilies.org/Request_DVDs.htm

Using Assistive Technology:

Low Tech and High Tech Solutions - February 6, 8:30 am to 3:30 pm, North Seattle Community College. This is for educators, providers and parents who want to better support individuals in the community. To register, contact Jaimie Laitinen by e-mail at jaimie@theinitiative.ws or call **(206) 343-0881, ext. 114**

Other 2009 Budget Issues

Funded by capturing federal funds:

•DD Endowment Trust Fund

Helps people with DD match their private funds so they can save money and plan for the future. This program can continue by taking \$5M of the additional FMAP (Federal Medical Assistance Percentage) funded from the "stimulus package" to serve 1,000 people.

•Employment

Utilize a portion of the excess federal funding received by adding state only funded adults to the waiver to fund employment services for '09 & '10 graduates and adults losing their employment services.

New funding required:

•Adult Day Health

With the amendment of the state Medicaid Plan to exclude adult day health, there is a need to determine how else to provide these services.

2009 legislative information has been compiled from The Arc of Washington State

Continuing education *Free workshops*

Free workshops are being presented by the Division of Developmental Disabilities for continuing education credits.

To register call:

Debra Terry at 360-565-2702, or Andrea Reetz at 360-565-2701, or toll free 1-877-601-2760.

Use of Psychoactive Medication on People with Developmental Disabilities:

9 a.m.- 4 p.m., February 6.

From Schools for the Feeble-Minded to Self-Determination: An Evolution in Values:

9 a.m.- 4 p.m., March 17.

All workshops will be held at **203 West 1st Street, Port Angeles**, the DSHS office.