



Autism Waiver Newsletter

Winter, 2006

Office of Third Party Billing

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Please keep in mind.....

As the year is winding down, remember to use your respite hours by December 31, 2006. Respite hours are charged to the calendar year, January 1-December 31.

There are a number of families currently taking advantage of the Therapeutic Integration programs offered as an Autism Waiver service. Please call the office for further information if you are interested in the TI programs. We will be visiting the TI programs this winter.

If you are interested in summer respite youth camps, now is the time to be thinking about this waiver service and calling the camps to see when they begin to offer registration.

New Provider Information

The League for People with Disabilities offers respite care and respite youth camp. They are now approved for Therapeutic Integration, Intensive Individual Support Services, and Family Training. Their TI program focuses on sports Monday, Wednesday, and Friday and arts and crafts Tuesday and Thursday. They will have full use of the wellness center and kitchen. For further information please call 410-323-0550 or visit www.leagueforpeople.org

Trellis is offering monthly "Fun Days" for children with autism, developmental disabilities and their siblings ages 3 and up. Cost is \$20.00 for single child and \$30.00 including siblings. The next "Fun Day" is December 17 from 1:00-3:30. Please call Teasha Grant at 410-785-3845 to reserve a spot.

From the Office

The Arc of Baltimore has sponsored a camp fair for many years and this year they have combined their efforts with Baltimore's Child to hold their 2007 camp fair on March 4, 2007 from 12:00-3:00 at the Holiday Inn, 2004 Greenspring Drive. There will be information available about recreation and camp resources and respite for children with disabilities. For more information please contact Teresa Conroy at 410-296-2272, extension 5337.

As you get recertification packages from DHMH, please pay attention to any additional paperwork included. There are now requests from DHMH to prove that the children are citizens. In addition, identities must also be proven. Please provide the paperwork that is requested in these packets. If you have questions about the requests, please feel free to call the office and we will make every attempt to assist you.

We are attempting to put together a database of email addresses for our families, as this may be the preferred method of communication. If you are willing to participate, please call the office or email your information and let us know how you would like us to contact you. Have a great holiday season and a happy and healthy new year!

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PARENT-TO-PARENT TREASURE TIDBITS

We were informed by a parent that the dental department at Kernan's Hospital will see participants on the waiver. Their number is 410-448-6290.

***If you have any great ideas or information you would like to include in this section please contact us at the office. Such information can be very useful to others.**