

Hamilton County Task Force

Thursday, November 16, 2023

9:00–10:00 a.m.

Agenda



1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Spotlight

- Autism Connections – Angelo Bucci, Operations Coordinator, abucci@autismcincy.org
 - [Website](#) – see Social Programs, Support Groups, Resources & Education
 - The [Events Calendar](#) updates weekly with Autism Connections programs + community events
 - See Resources & Education tab to learn more about [PEERS® for Adults](#), [PEERS® for Teens](#), our [Autism Helpline](#), or our [weekly newsletters](#)

3. Around the Region: Program Updates

- RAAC
- Other

4. Policy Updates

- **Federal Update:** The Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Relief Act of 2023 was introduced in Congress by Senator Bob Casey (D-PA). The bill would provide two years of additional Medicaid funds to:
 - Improve access to HCBS by increasing direct care worker pay and benefits;
 - Decrease the number of people on waiting lists for HCBS (currently over 650,000!); and
 - Pay for assistive technologies, staffing, and other costs that facilitate community integration.
 - Learn more about the [HCBS Relief Act of 2023](#).

5. Training & Events

Electronic pdfs can be found at: <https://tinyurl.com/RAACflyers>

- [Children's Theatre 2023-2024 Season](#)
 - The SpongeBob Musical – October 14-23, 2023
 - Narnia the Musical – December 9-18, 2023
 - Cinderella – February 17-26, 2024
 - Finding Nemo Jr. – April 20-29, 2024

- [Cincinnati Art Museum](#) – Sensory Saturdays
- [iFly](#) – All Abilities Night
- [Ohio P2P Parent Support](#)
 - Are you interested in providing support to other families who have a loved one with a disability or special healthcare need? Please join us as we build this network. Find the flyer with more information on becoming a support parent here. Email questions or application to marion.cosgroverauch@cchmc.org
- [Ohio Special Education Response Team \(OSERT\)](#)– meeting 4th Wednesday of every month from 12:00–1:00 p.m.
- SALT Series and Resources
 - SALT Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/SALTSouthwestOH>
 - SALT Livebinder: <https://bit.ly/SALTSWOH>
 - SALT Google Drive: <https://bit.ly/SALTTALKSGOOGLE>
 - SALT YouTube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0IRMRO59X4ISEQ7aiR3KrQ>
- DDBP Outreach Calendar
- Other

6. **Next Task Force Meeting**

- January 18, 2023 @ 9 a.m.
- Spotlight: Reach Me Inc.
- Zoom info
 - <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/93141858216?pwd=ZFVlUzVOelBPK1lkckxpWlk0UjVadz09>
 - Meeting ID: 931 4185 8216
 - Passcode: HCRAAC