

INTERNATIONAL

# sibling CONFERENCE



EXPLORING THE REWARDS AND CHALLENGES OF HAVING A FAMILY MEMBER WITH DISABILITIES  
PRESENTED BY ARI OF CONNECTICUT, THE SIBLING LEADERSHIP NETWORK, & THE KENNEDY CENTER  
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## Purpose of Conference:

- To give siblings of children and adults with disabilities an opportunity to exchange information regarding their experiences and to learn more about specific disabilities, trends and current research findings about these disabilities.
- To give people with disabilities an opportunity to share their feelings about being an integral part of their family and their interaction with their siblings and parents.
- To give professionals an opportunity to hear experts in the field of family dynamics and experience workshops presented by siblings.
- To give parents an opportunity to focus on their children who are not disabled.
- To give partners of adults with disabilities an opportunity to focus on the impact the disability has had upon their relationships.

## Expectations of Outcomes:

- Young siblings can get ideas for coping with difficult situations and learn about the experiences of other siblings.
- Adult siblings can get information on planning for the future and dealing with issues related to childhood experiences.
- Parents will become aware of sibling issues and get tips on supporting siblings at home.
- Professionals can learn more about sibling issues and how to support siblings through their work with families.

Attached is all the information you will need to sponsor this extraordinary event. Please consider making a generous contribution to help us make this a successful experience for an under-served community of caregivers and supporters — **SIBLINGS** of people with disabilities.

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