

August 20, 2010

Dear Helping Hand Families and Friends:

We are excited to announce that through a partnership with the ARC of Illinois, we are hosting a full-day program on a subject that is extremely important for you as parents and guardians of a person with disabilities: **“The legal and future care planning for your relative with a developmental disability.”**

**This is a FREE event to all Helping Hand Families! Here are the details:**

- When: Friday, **September 17<sup>th</sup>**, **Registration is at 8:30, Program 9:00am – 3:00pm**
- Where: Helping Hand Center: Dennis F. Trybus Wellness Center
- What else: Lunch and snacks will be provided.

**Ms. Varnett will cover:**

- Negotiating the Social Security Maze
- Preserving eligibility for Government Benefits through proper estate planning.
- Special needs trusts
- Guardianship and less restrictive alternatives
- Health Care proxies
- Selecting a knowledgeable attorney

**Making plans for your future. Start with making the first step:**

1. **Call** and make your reservation at 708-352-3580 ext. 221
2. **Come** out on September 17<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am – 3:00pm
3. **Learn** important helpful information.
4. **Plan** to make the next step

***About the Speaker:***

*Theresa M. Varnett, MSW, JD is an advocate for persons with disabilities for over 40 years. She is a certified teacher, licensed social worker and graduate of the DePaul University College of Law and is a parent of a child with a disability. She specializes in probate and estate planning for people with disabilities.*

\*\*This program provides five Continuing Education Credits (CEUs) for Nursing Home Administrators, Social Workers and QAP's. There is no additional charge for these CEUs.

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To Register: Complete and mail form to: Helping Hand Center, 9649 W 55<sup>th</sup> Street, Countryside IL 60525

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Or simply e-mail your RSVP for this important workshop by September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010 to:  
[Tiffany.Moore@hhcenter.org](mailto:Tiffany.Moore@hhcenter.org) or call 708-352-3580 ext. 221. **Please register right away!**