***Outreach Forums***

**HMEA Adult Family Care**

**“Learn how Self-Directed Services can help your Family”**

**June 1, 2017 from 6:oo to 8:00PM**

HMEA, 8 Forge Park East, Franklin, MA

Information for families and individuals interested in learning about self-directed support options.

Presenters: Pam Hickey, Regional Self-Directed Supports Manager, Central West Region

 Betsy Eaton-Irwin, Regional Self-Directed Supports Manager, Metro Region

Contact Julia Hartley at HMEA for more information and to register, at 774-571-0640

**Full Life Ahead Series/ Transition Information**

**June 6, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00PM**

Nemasket Group, 109 Fairhaven Road, Mattapoisett, MA

Transition information from DDS staff and Mass Rehabilitation Commission staff, including eligibility, services overview and self-directed support options. Contact Amy from Nemasket Group at 508-999-4436

**Metro Region Self Direction Outreach and Information**

**June 7, 2017 from 5:00 to 7:00PM**

Department of Developmental Services, Greater Boston Area Office, 65 Sprague Street, Hyde Park, MA

Forum for individuals and families interested in learning more about self-directed support options.

Contact Betsy Eaton-Irwin for more information, 781-788-5262

**Southeast Region Forum on Self-Direction and Connections**

**Michael Plansky – You’re With US**

 **“Self-Direction: Taking Control of your future”**

**June 8, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00PM**

Central Congregational Church, 2 Webster Street, Middleboro, MA

Featuring Michael Plansky –‘Your With Us’ and Ed Wilson- DDS Self Directed Supports

Forum for individuals, families and community service providers interested in learning more about self-directed supports and other innovative services which help individuals with disabilities connect with people in their community.

Sponsored by DDS Southeast Region. For more information, contact Ed Wilson at 508-866-8864.

Register with Raquel Pereira at Raquel.pereira@state.ma.us



***Learning about Self Directed Support Options***

Statewide Information Forums for individuals and families in collaboration with the Department of Developmental Services

**The ARC of Opportunity- June 15, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00PM**

161 Boulder Drive, Fitchburg, MA 01420.

Contact Peter VanVoorhis at 978-343-6662 for more information

**Greater Plymouth ARC- June 15, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00PM**

52 Armstrong Road, Plymouth, MA

Contact Cari Robbins to register or for more information at 508-732-9292 ext 124

**EMARC, June 19, 2017 from 6:30 to 8:30PM**

Lucius Beebe Memorial Library, Lower Level, 345 Main Street, Wakefield, MA from 6:30 to 8:30PM

Contact Judy Santa Maria to register or for more information at 781-587-2314

**Charles River Center and South Norfolk ARC, June 20, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00PM**

Charles River Center, 59 East Militia Heights Drive, Needham, MA

For more information call Ellen Kilicarslan at 781-972-1048 or Dan Sullivan at 781-762-4001.

**Metro Region Self Direction Outreach and Information**

**August 9, 2017 from 5:00 to 7:00PM**

Department of Developmental Services, Metro Region, 465 Waverley Oaks Road, Waltham

Forum for individuals and families interested in learning more about self-directed support options.

Contact Betsy Eaton-Irwin for more information, 781-788-5262

**Central Massachusetts Self Direction Outreach and Information**

**October 3, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00PM**

Department of Developmental Services, 324 Clark Street, Worcester, MA

Forum for individuals and families interested in learning more about self-directed support options.

Contact Pam Hickey for more information, 413-205-0871

**Western Massachusetts Self Direction Outreach and Information**

**November 8, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00PM**

Department of Developmental Services, Central West Regional Office, 140 High Street, Springfield, MA

Forum for individuals and families interested in learning more about self-directed support options.

Contact Pam Hickey for more information, 413-205-0871

***Participant Forums***

**Northeast Region Self Direction Participant and Family Support Group**

Department of Developmental Services hosted by Seven Hills Foundation, 261 North Main Street (Rt 114), Middleton, MA

Meeting for current Self-Directed Support Program participants and family members to share information, resources and support.

Contact Bev McGovern for more information at 978-774-5000 x 302.

**April 19, 2017 from 3:00 to 5:00PM**

**July 19, 2017 from 2:30 to 4:30PM**

**Central Massachusetts Self Direction Participant and Family Support Group**

Department of Developmental Services hosted by Seven Hills Family Support Program, 799 West Boylston Street, Worcester, MA

Bimonthly meetings for current participants and families and for those seeking more information on self-directed supports. This forum is informal and provides information sharing, support and networking. The agenda is developed by the group.

Contact Pam Hickey for more information, 413-205-0871

**May 15, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00PM**

**July 17, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00PM**

**September 20, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00PM**

**November 20, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00PM**

**Metro Self Direction Participant Leadership Group**

Department of Developmental Services, Greater Boston Area Office, 65 Sprague Street, Hyde Park, MA

Bi-monthly meeting for current Self-Directed Support participants to have peer discussions on their experiences directing their own support, information sharing and leadership development.

Contact Betsy Eaton-Irwin for more information, 781-788-5262

**May 17, 2017 from 3:30 to 5:30PM**

**July 19, 2017 from 3:30 to 5:30PM**

**Southeast Self Direction Participant and Family Support Group**

Department of Developmental Services, Southeast Regional Office, 151 Campanelli Road, Middleboro, MA

Meeting for current Self-Directed Support Program participants and family members to share information, resources and support.

Contact Ed Wilson for more information, 508-866-8864

**May 18, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00PM**

**September 20, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00PM**

**Western Massachusetts Self Directed Services Focus and Empowerment Group**

Whole Children Inclusive Community Center, 41 Russell Street, Hadley, MA

Bimonthly meetings for current participants and families and for those seeking more information on self-directed supports. This forum is informal and provides information sharing, support and networking. The agenda is developed by the group.

Contact Pam Hickey for more information, 413-205-0871

**June 27, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00PM**

**August 22, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00PM**

**October 24, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00PM**

**December 26, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00PM**