



The Leadership Series

Advocates in Action Rhode Island

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The Leadership Series is a 10 month learning experience for Rhode Islanders who have a developmental disability, family members, friends and direct support staff. The Series helps people learn how to speak up for themselves and make a difference.

Each class is interactive and fun! That means that everyone who joins is involved in exercises, skits and other activities that teach about:

Being a Leader

Public Speaking

Voting, Testimony and Government

Rights and Responsibilities

Participating in Meetings

Decision-Making & Planning for Your Future

Self-Advocacy and more!

People who attend the Leadership Series do not need to be able to read or write. Our curriculum includes pictures, video, audio, games and other interactive media that make the information accessible and easy to understand.

The Series begins with a day long retreat in West Greenwich, RI, on September 28th, 2012. Classes meet twice a month on Wednesday afternoons from 1:00-3:00pm. They take place in Pawtucket and run from October thru June. There are also homework assignments and extra events to attend between classes. Everyone who completes the Series graduates at a formal ceremony in June.

The Leadership Series is coordinated by Advocates in Action Rhode Island. Participation in the Series is FREE thanks to the support of The RI Department of Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities & Hospitals and the RI DD Council.

Space for the Leadership Series is limited. Interested individuals must submit an application and 2 letters of reference. One letter must be personal (from family/friends). The second letter must be professional (from employers, teachers, support agency contacts, Self-Advocacy group member, or Leadership Series graduates). Selected applicants are then invited to an informal interview. Not everyone who applies is accepted.

Applications for the class of 2013 are due by Wednesday, September 5th, 2012. Give us a call, send an email, or visit us on-line with any questions:

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