

Disaster relief, paralympic dance, and inclusive summer camp tips, all this and more in this issue of Accessibility for All.

# Accessibility for All

## - Disability and Health Program -

### Recent News

#### [America is Not Ready for Disability Disaster Response in the Coming Hurricane Season](#)

Last year's hurricane season revealed the gaps in the disaster relief response as it relates to people with disabilities. With the arrival of this hurricane season, the lack of specific plans to address these gaps has many concerned.

#### [Students Bring Accessibility to the Forefront in Organizing Disability Studies Conference](#)

The Chicago Disabilities Studies Conference took place on April 20-21 at the University of Chicago. The conference provided graduate and undergraduate students the opportunity to present their work, while at the same time showcasing accessibility practices that other conferences can adopt.

#### [Athlete, Studio Blazing Trail for Paralympic](#)

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### Upcoming Events

#### [Summer Youth Program](#)

**July 9-13, 2018**

**9:00am-3:00pm Eastern Time**

**Tampa, FL**

The MacDonald Training Center in Tampa, FL is offering a program for people ages 14-21 who are Deaf or Hard-of-Hearing. The program will include career exploration and self-advocacy, among other topics. For more information, contact Patti Sanchez at [PSanchez@MacDonaldcenter.org](mailto:PSanchez@MacDonaldcenter.org) or call 813-870-1300.

#### [SSI Disability Benefits for a Child](#)

**Tuesday, July 24, 2018**

**6:30pm-8:30pm Eastern Time**

**Miami, FL**

Parent to Parent of Miami is hosting a workshop titled "SSI Disability Benefits for a Child: What You Should Know Before You Apply" To register, go to <http://www.ptopmiami.org/events/ssi-disability-benefits-for-a-child-what-you-should-know-before-you-apply/>

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Cheryl Angelelli, a retired paralympic swimmer, is leading the movement to have paralympic dance included in the 2028 Paralympics in Los Angeles. Lack of trained instructors and funding are among some of the hurdles faced by paralympic dance as it gains popularity.

## [Feds Eye New Rules On Flying With Service Animals](#)

The U.S. Department of Transportation is asking for feedback regarding flying with service animals. Specifically, whether emotional support animals, psychiatric service animals, and other service animals should be treated differently and whether owners should be required to confirm that their service animal has been trained.

## [The Arc Releases 2017 FINDS Survey Data on Caregiving for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities \(I/DD\)](#)

This is the second FINDS (the Family & Individual Needs for Disability Supports) survey and report to be conducted and released by the Arc of the United States; the first survey was conducted in 2010 and released in 2011. This second FINDS survey revealed that several challenges still remain, such as only half of individuals with I/DD leaving high school with a diploma and over fifty percent of caregivers saying that they do not have a plan for the future.

[Disabilities \(APD\) Event Calendar!](#)



## **Webinars & Applications**

[Virtual Reality and Assistive Technology: Learn about the New New Things!](#)

**Tuesday, July 24, 2018**

**4:00pm-5:00pm EST**

The Center on Technology and Disability is providing a webinar about virtual reality (VR) and its application as assistive technology by Jaclyn Wickham.

[CHASA Scholarship for Childhood Stroke Survivors](#)

**Application Deadline: Friday, August 31, 2018**

"CHASA is proud to offer an annual scholarship for those affected by childhood hemiplegia. Students must be 25 years of age or younger to apply. Additionally, they must be affected by either childhood hemiplegia or hemiparesis due to any cause or by pediatric stroke - onset of the condition before the age of 18; or be currently diagnosed as having hemiplegia or hemiparesis or pediatric stroke. Students must be attending a post-secondary school leading to a degree or certification or attending a post-secondary vocational education program." Scholarship amount: \$3,000

## [Can Limit Opportunities for People with Disabilities, Researchers Say](#)

The University of Missouri conducted a study and found that not having access to adaptable clothing that is acceptable for the workplace is a barrier to employment for people with disabilities. Very few companies offer adaptable clothing, and for those that do, options in terms of style are limited.

## **Tips, Briefs, & Guides**

### [Healthy Living Tip: Exercising While Living With a Disability](#)

Physical activity is important for people of all abilities, but people with disabilities face unique challenges and structural barriers to getting the recommended amount of physical activity. DisabilityGuide offers these tips for individuals with disabilities just getting started with exercising.

### [Save Your Dimes and Aspirin: We Need Disability Justice Now](#)

Jen Deerinwater, a woman with multiple disabilities, describes the importance of able-bodied individuals supporting people with disabilities in the fight for disability justice and offers a few simple ways to provide that support in this brief guide.



### **About the DHP**

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## [Children of All Abilities in Summer Camp Programs](#)

The United Cerebral Palsy of Delaware offers this comprehensive guide for making summer camp programs inclusive and accessible for all children, including considerations from communication to assistive technology and everything in between.

## [College Tips for Students with Learning Disabilities](#)

Disabled World offers 25 tips for students with learning disabilities as they transition from high school to college, including registering early and updating documentaion.

**Sincerely,**

### **Florida Disability and Health Program**

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