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The 14th Annual
**Developmental Disabilities
Public Policy Conference**

March 15-18, 2021



*The Arc and United Cerebral Palsy
California Collaboration*

AGENDA AT-A-GLANCE

Monday, March 15 - *POLITICS*

9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Politics and Disability | Running for Office

Vaccines | Disability Vote | Higher Education | Raffle Drawing

Tuesday, March 16 - *POWER*

9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Power of Advocacy | Legislator Award | Zumba Lesson

Reaching Full Potential | Paradise Fire | La Abogacía

Sexual Assault Crisis | Raffle Drawing

Wednesday, March 17 - *POLICY*

9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

State Budget Update | Aging and Disability | Legislator Award

Financial Inclusion | Planificación Futura | Special Needs Trust

Raffle Drawing

Thursday, March 18 - *ADVOCACY*

9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

National Update | 2021 Policy Outlook | Lobby Day

Award Ceremony | Raffle Drawing | Survey

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US!

We are sincerely grateful to have you be a part of the groundbreaking 14th Annual “Virtual” Developmental Disabilities Public Policy Conference – “Hindsight 2020: Looking back at 2020’s impact on the disabilities community and preparing for what’s ahead in 2021.” The COVID-19 pandemic brought many firsts to all aspects of our day-to-day lives. The Arc and United Cerebral Palsy California Collaboration have also faced many firsts over the last year. In the face of the pandemic, we have adapted to a new way of delivering and receiving support services. Advocating to ensure the needs of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) were met became centerstage. We had to make shifts in how we approached our advocacy work to ensure we were effectively being heard. And for the first time ever, California’s premiere event for the IDD community will be conducted online.

We hope you will enjoy the incredible program we have put together featuring nationally known speakers and special guests. Over the four days, we will shine a light on some of the most relevant issues facing the disability system, and we will celebrate our shared mission of building a truly inclusive society that embraces everyone’s unique abilities and provides equal opportunities for people with IDD to live their best lives.

Together, we can influence positive change and make a difference. We welcome you and hope this will be just the beginning of working together in the future to ensure that our vital community service system is strengthened and responsive to your needs.

Warm regards,



Jordan Lindsey, Executive Director,
The Arc and UCP California
Collaboration



Betsy Katz, President,
The Arc of California Board
of Directors

ABOUT US

In 2011, The Arc of California and Affiliates of United Cerebral Palsy in California merged advocacy efforts into a single initiative, known as The Arc and UCP California Collaboration, dedicated to fighting for a dramatic investment of support for Californians with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). This powerful partnership was formed to galvanize two of the largest membership advocacy organizations to support and strengthen a growing statewide movement committed to ensuring people with IDD have every opportunity to fully participate in an inclusive society and live a “life without limits”.

The Collaboration is governed by an Executive Council with representative members from each partner. The Collaboration maintains a public policy agenda that includes legislative, budget and regulatory advocacy in support of the furtherance of each entity’s mission and ensuring the commitment of the Lanterman Act is upheld. Over the years, the Collaboration has developed, and continues to have, a strong presence in the State Capitol and various departments within the Administration to effectively advocate for, and advance the interests of, the entire IDD community, including self-advocates, their families/caregivers and the organizations and staff who provide their support services.



OUR FEATURED SPEAKERS



SPECIAL APPEARANCE
Alex Padilla
U.S. Senator



*“MOVING MOUNTAINS:
THE POWER OF ADVOCACY”*
Mark DeSaulnier
U.S. Congressman



“HUMOR IS THE BEST MEDICINE”
Zach Anner
Comedian, Show Host and Author



*“MOVING MOUNTAINS:
THE POWER OF ADVOCACY”*
Isabel Bueso
Disability Rights Advocate



*“POLITICS & DISABILITY: WHAT ARE WE
DOING, WHAT ARE WE MISSING?”*
Rusty Hicks
Chair, California Democratic Party



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Kristin Olsen
Vice-Chair, California Republican Party

OUR FEATURED SPEAKERS



SPECIAL APPEARANCE
Devon Mathis
California Assemblymember



“VACCINES: LATEST UPDATE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES”
Aaron Carruthers
Executive Director,
State Council on Developmental Disabilities



“THE ROAD TO FULL POTENTIAL”
Chris Nikic
Athlete, Advocate and Ironman



“LANDSCAPE AND PRIORITY POLICIES FOR THE NATIONAL IDD MOVEMENT”
Peter Berns
CEO, The Arc of the United States

RECOGNITION AND AWARDS

In special recognition of the following California Legislators for protecting the needs of people with developmental disabilities and championing stability and longevity of the disability system.

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Assemblymember
Dr. Joaquin Arambula



Senate Pro Tem
Toni Atkins



Assemblymember
Jim Frazier



Assemblymember
Chris Holden



Senator
Melissa Hurtado



Assemblymember
Thomas Lackey



Senator
Henry Stern

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Thank you for your many years of commitment to people with developmental disabilities during your service in the California Legislature.



Former Senator
Jim Beall



Former Senator
Holly J. Mitchell

POLITICS

DAY 1
MONDAY, MARCH 15

AGENDA

9:30 - 9:45 a.m.	WELCOME - Welcome Bag - Yellow - Raffle Drawing <i>Jordan Lindsey, Executive Director, The Arc and UCP California Collaboration</i>
9:45 - 10:30 a.m.	POLITICS AND DISABILITY: What Are We Doing, What Are We Missing? <i>Rusty Hicks, Chair, California Democratic Party</i>
10:30 - 10:40 a.m.	SPECIAL APPEARANCE: Comedian and Show Host Zach Anner
10:40 - 10:45 a.m.	SPECIAL APPEARANCE: California State Assemblymember Devon Mathis
10:45 - 11:20 a.m.	POLITICS AND DISABILITY: What Are We Doing, What Are We Missing? <i>Kristin Olsen, Vice-Chair, California Republican Party</i>
11:20 - 11:35 a.m.	THE NEXT STEP: Running for Office <i>Sascha Bittner, Candidate for Delegate, California Democratic Party</i> <i>Ryan Duncanwood, Delegate, California Democratic Party</i> <i>Mary Platt, Delegate, California Democratic Party</i>
11:35 a.m. - NOON	VACCINES: Latest Update for People with Disabilities <i>Aaron Carruthers, Executive Director, State Council on Developmental Disabilities</i>

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

NOON - 12:25 p.m.	PROJECT HIGHLIGHT: Disability Vote California <i>Riana Hardin, Self-Advocacy Coordinator, State Council on Developmental Disabilities</i>
NOON - 12:25 p.m.	PROJECT HIGHLIGHT: Planting the Seeds of Inclusive Higher Education with the UC Davis Redwood SEED Scholar Program <i>Beth Foraker, Co-Director, UC Davis Redwood SEED (Supported Education to Elevate Diversity) Scholar Program</i>

12:25 - 12:30 p.m.	DAY 1 CLOSING - Raffle Drawing - Survey <i>Jordan Lindsey, Executive Director, The Arc and UCP California Collaboration</i>
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POWER

DAY 2
TUESDAY, MARCH 16

AGENDA

9:30 - 9:40 a.m.	WELCOME - Welcome Bag - Purple - Raffle Drawing <i>Jordan Lindsey, Executive Director, The Arc and UCP California Collaboration</i>
9:40 - 10:30 a.m.	MOVING MOUNTAINS: The Power of Advocacy <i>Mark DeSaulnier, U.S. Congressman</i> <i>Isabel Bueso, Disability Rights Activist</i>
10:30 - 11:05 a.m.	YOU CAN DO IT: The Road to Full Potential <i>Chris Nikic, Athlete, Advocate and Ironman</i>
11:15 - 11:20 a.m.	SPECIAL APPEARANCE: Zumba Lesson with Instructor Yulissa Arescurenaga
11:20 - 11:25 am	LEGISLATOR AWARD: California Assemblymember Chris Holden

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

11:25 - 12:15 p.m.	LA ABOGACÍA: Una herramienta para aumentar el poder de los padres <i>Jairo Güiza, Especialista en Diversidad y Equidad en el Centro Regional del Este de la Bahía</i>
11:25 - 12:15 p.m.	A HIGH AND AWFUL PRICE: Lessons Learned from the Camp Fire <i>Shelby Boston, Director, Butte County Department of Employment and Social Services</i> <i>Chris Smith, Paradise Resident and Emmy-Award Winning Documentarian</i> <i>Lt. Steve Collins, Emergency Manager, Butte County Sheriff's Office</i>

12:15 - 12:25 p.m.	PROJECT HIGHLIGHT: The Partnership Between Rape Crisis Centers and Disability Service Providers <i>California Coalition Against Sexual Assault and The Arc of California</i>
12:25 - 12:30 p.m.	DAY 2 CLOSING - Raffle Drawing - Survey <i>Jordan Lindsey, Executive Director, The Arc and UCP California Collaboration</i>

POLICY

DAY 3
*WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17

AGENDA

9:30 - 9:40 a.m.	WELCOME - Welcome Bag - Green - Raffle Drawing <i>Jordan Lindsey, Executive Director, The Arc and UCP California Collaboration</i> <i>Board Members, The Arc of California</i>
9:40 - 10:15 a.m.	THE STATE BUDGET: Overview and Impacts <i>Scott Graves, Director of Research, California Budget Center</i>
10:15 - 10:20 a.m.	SPECIAL APPEARANCE: Performance by Singer Shelby Gold
10:20 - 11:05 a.m.	AGING IN PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES: Are Current Policies Adequate to Meet the Challenges? <i>Nicole Jorwic, Senior Director of Public Policy, The Arc of the United States</i> <i>Amanda Lawrence, Project Director, Master Plan for Aging, California Department of Aging</i>
11:05 - 11:10 a.m.	LEGISLATOR AWARD: California Senate Pro Tem Toni Atkins

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

11:10 a.m. - NOON	PARTNERS IN PLANNING: If Your Attorney or Trustee Does Not Know the Difference Between an IPP and SUV, We Have a Problem <i>Steven Eidelman, Professor, The University of Delaware</i> <i>LeAndra McCormick, President, Professional Fiduciary Association of California</i> <i>Heather Chubb, Lawyer, National Academy of Elderlaw Attorneys</i> <i>Stephen Dale, Attorney, Golden State Pooled Trust</i>
11:10 - 12:25 p.m.	PLANIFICACIÓN FUTURA: Es Posible y Necesario <i>Liz Mahar, Director, Family and Sibling Initiative, The Arc of The United States</i>
NOON - 12:25 p.m.	FINANCIAL INCLUSION: How CalABLE Can Support a Life of Possibility <i>Dante Allen, Executive Director, CalABLE</i>
NOON - 12:25 p.m.	A TALE OF TWO SYSTEMS: Special Needs Trust Administration and Direct Service Providers <i>Herb Thomas, California licensed private professional fiduciary</i> <i>Pete Wall, True Link Financial</i> <i>Tom Heinz, Executive Director, East Bay Innovations and Life Trust Care Specialist</i>

12:25 - 12:30 p.m.	DAY 3 CLOSING - Raffle Drawing - Survey <i>Jordan Lindsey, Executive Director, The Arc and UCP California Collaborative</i>
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* March 17, 2021 has been approved for 2.5 Units of MCLE Credit by the State Bar of California by the North Bay Housing Coalition
Provider number 14598

ADVOCACY

DAY 4
**THURSDAY, MARCH 18

AGENDA

9:30 - 9:40 a.m.	WELCOME - Welcome Bag - Orange - Raffle Drawing <i>Jordan Lindsey, Executive Director, The Arc and UCP California Collaborative</i>
9:40 - 9:55 a.m.	SPECIAL APPEARANCE: U.S. Senator Alex Padilla
10:00 - 10:30 a.m.	NATIONAL UPDATE: Landscape and Priority Policies for the National Disability Movement <i>Peter Berns, CEO, The Arc of the United States</i>
10:30 - 10:35 a.m.	SPECIAL APPEARANCE: Stand Up Comedy by Bev Jerep
10:35 - 11:15 a.m.	2021 OUTLOOK: State Policy Priorities for the Disability Community <i>The Lanterman Coalition</i> <i>Jordan Lindsey, Executive Director, The Arc and UCP California Collaboration</i> <i>Rick Rollens, Legislative Advocate, Association of Regional Center Agencies</i> <i>Tiffany Whiten, Senior Government Relations Advocate, California State Council of SEIU</i> <i>Barry Jardini, Executive Director, California Disability Services Association</i>
11:15 - 11:20 a.m.	LOBBY DAY! Advocacy in Action <i>Julia Ballantyne, Media Advocacy Consultant, The Arc of California</i>
11:20 a.m. - Noon	AWARD CEREMONY: In Honor of Our Champions for Disability Rights and Equality
Noon - 12:30 p.m.	Final Closing Remarks - Raffle - Survey <i>Board of Directors, The Arc and UCP California Collaboration</i>

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"A HIGH AND AWFUL PRICE"
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"PARTNERS IN PLANNING"
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Professor,
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"LA ABOGACÍA"
Jairo Guiza
Diversity and Equity
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SPECIAL APPEARANCE
Beverly Jerep
Comedian



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SPECIAL APPEARANCE
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Documentarian,
Resident of Paradise, CA



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