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Joining Forces Conference in March



Oklahoma Family Network's 10th annual Joining Forces Conference will feature **Major Edward Pulido**, founder of **Warriors for Freedom**, a non-profit that provides scholarships for the spouses and children of fallen and wounded service members. The event takes place on **March 2nd**, from **9 AM– 3:30 PM** at the **Moore Norman Tech Center, South Penn Campus, 13301 S. Pennsylvania, OKC, OK**. For more information, visit [here](#).

Apply to Youth Leadership Forum



The **Oklahoma Developmental Disabilities Council** is now accepting applications for their **Youth Leadership Forum**, a no-cost week-long camp held at a university campus to support Oklahoma high school students with disabilities to build their leadership and advocacy skills. The camp will be held from **June 12** until **June 16th**. Applications are due **March 1st**. To apply, visit [here](#).

Nutrition is for Everyone Events in February

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Deputy nutrition ambassadors will hold a nutrition class in Spanish at **Variety Care Center** in Oklahoma City on **February 21**, and will present at the **Sooner SUCCESS On the Road** for Spanish speaking families on **Feb. 20** (see events). Follow us on Facebook for nutrition tips and events at <https://www.facebook.com/nutr4allOK/>, on Twitter at [@nutr4allok](#) and Pinterest at <https://www.pinterest.com/nutr4allOK/>.

OK AIM Program Seeks Volunteers



The **Oklahoma Advocates Involved in Monitoring** program (**OK AIM**), facilitated by **TARC**, provides visits to people with disabilities living in community-based residences to ensure that they are safe, comfortable, and that their right to self-determination is being honored. If you are interested in becoming an OK AIM volunteer or learning more about the program, visit [here](#).

Go All In: People with Disabilities Awareness Day at the Capitol: March 13



Wear green, and join people with disabilities and their families and allies this **March 13th** at the **Oklahoma Capitol** to call for full employment and community acceptance for people with disabilities of all kinds. A rally for people with developmental disabilities will begin at **10 AM**, organized by the **Oklahoma Self-Advocacy Network (OKSAN)** and **Oklahoma People First (OPF)**. **OKDRS (Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services)** is partnering on the full-day event. To register, or to find out more, visit [here](#).

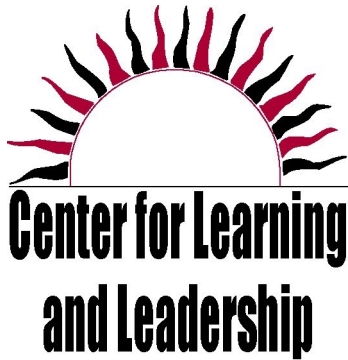
Learn & Lead

Vision

All people with disabilities and their families are valued participants in community life.

Mission

Partners making a positive difference in the lives of people with disabilities and their families through learning and leadership.



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CLL SPOTLIGHT

OKSAN Partners with OKDRS in Planning Event at Capitol

The Oklahoma Self-Advocacy Network (OKSAN), a project of the [Center for Learning and Leadership](#), [ODDC](#), and [OPF](#), met in January with Jody Harlan of OKDRS to discuss plans for the March 13th event at the Oklahoma Capitol. OKSAN and OPF will hold a 10 AM rally at the Capitol to raise awareness of issues of concern to the developmental disability community. People with different kinds of disabilities and their allies are coming together to demand full access to jobs and full, active lives in the community.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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| Feb. 20 | <p>On the Road for Spanish-speaking Families</p> <p>Sooner SUCCESS
OCCC Capitol Hill Center
325 SW 25th St.
OKC, OK
To register, call (405) 534-8000 or visit here.</p> | 8:30 AM-2:30 PM |
| Feb. 24 | <p>Women and Epilepsy 16+ Conference</p> <p>Epilepsy Foundation Oklahoma
Dave & Busters
5501 N. May Ave.
OKC, OK
RSVP: (405) 463-0673 or jwalter@efa.org. To learn more, visit here.</p> | 10 AM-1:30 PM |
| March 1 | <p>Parent-Student Awareness Series— Social Security Benefits</p> <p>Sooner SUCCESS, OKDRS, Sapulpa Public Schools, Central Tech—Sapulpa
Central Tech— Sapulpa
1720 South Main St.
Sapulpa, OK
For more information, call (918) 224-6560 or visit here.</p> | 6:30-8 PM |
| March 8 | <p>Smart about Money: A Program for Self-Advocates</p> <p>ODDC (Oklahoma Developmental Disabilities Council)
Allegiance Credit Union Training Building
4227 N. Meridian Ave.
OKC
RSVP by March 5 to: (405) 521-4984 or Erin.Taylor@okddc.ok.gov</p> | 9:30 AM-2 PM |
| March 8 | <p>Developmental Disabilities Services Waiting List Meeting</p> <p>Sequoyah Memorial Office Building, Room C-47
OKC, OK
For more information, visit here.</p> | 1:30– 3 PM |

Do you have an event to include in *focus facts*?
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