

# INFORMATION SHEET

The Center for Self Advocacy was incorporated in 2014 as Buffalo's first **peer led agency** for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Our mission is to help people with developmental disabilities work, advocate within their community, and have an independent and productive lifestyle. The Center is a member of the Care Management Coalition (CMC).

## PEER LED SERVICES THAT WE OFFER:

- Self Advocacy Services
- Peer Empowerment Network (PEN)  
Workshops & Social Support Groups such as:
  - Disability & Identity Group
  - Social Justice Group
  - Women's Group
  - Living in the Community Group
  - Support to FREEDOM Self Advocacy Group
- ACCES-VR Services
- Educational Outreach & Disability Awareness
- Systems Advocacy
- Travel Training Services: Our "Access My Ride" Program that teaches individuals how to use NFTA Metro Bus and/or Paratransit services
- Virtual Education: Our "Let's Connect!" Program teaches how to use computers & the internet

## OUR COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- Membership in the Developmental Disabilities Alliance of Western New York (DDAWNY)
- Co-Chair of the Partnership Coalition
- Membership in ARISE, a group affiliated with Voice Buffalo
- Participation in the Western New York Digital Equity Coalition
- Participation on the DDAWNY Transportation Committee
- Attendance at SANYS (Self Advocacy Association of NY State) monthly, regional, and weekly meetings
- Participation in the Care Management Coalition leadership, marketing, and programming committees
- Participation in Disability Roundtable Event Planning & Execution



**INTERESTED IN OUR PROGRAMS?  
CONTACT US TO SET UP AN APPOINTMENT TO REVIEW  
YOUR NEEDS & GET STARTED!**



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