



ADVANCING FUTURES  
for ADULTS with AUTISM



**Advancing Futures for Adults with Autism  
National Town Meeting  
November 13, 2009**  
[www.afaa-us.org](http://www.afaa-us.org)

At this national town hall meeting, caregivers, advocates, elected officials, family members, and adults with autism will come together to raise awareness and build momentum with a unified voice to support a national policy agenda for addressing the needs of adults with autism.

In Illinois, this opportunity will be held at:  
University of Illinois Chicago Forum  
725 W. Roosevelt Rd., Chicago  
November 13, 10:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Register and pay by credit card on-line at:  
[www.afaa-us.org/Chicago](http://www.afaa-us.org/Chicago). Registration  
can also be submitted by sending a  
check made payable to AFAA with your  
registration form to:

Jan Draper  
The Autism Program Service Network  
5220 S. 6<sup>th</sup> Street Road  
Springfield, IL 62703

For more information call: (217) 525-8332  
Or email: [AFAA@thehopeinstitute.us](mailto:AFAA@thehopeinstitute.us)

*Given that the prevalence of autism has increased 5-10 fold during the past decade, the number of children with autism who will become adults over the next few years is huge.*  
~Organization for Autism Research,  
Arlington, VA

**AFAA Town Meeting is Different**  
The AFAA Town Meeting will be a thoughtful, outcomes-oriented discussion and will not include long-winded speakers or panelists. The meeting will consist of small, group discussions providing each participant the opportunity to give direct, substantive feedback. Network computers and wireless keypad technology will transform the individual discussions into synthesized recommendations representative of the whole room. Working together, the small group discussions and technologies will create a clear set of shared priorities and recommendations to shape the next steps.



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## National Town Meeting Registration Form

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**Please Print**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Fees: \$100 per person.

Additional Services that we may provide are:

Translation  Accommodations for Disability  Other \_\_\_\_\_

### Demographic Information

In order to ensure diverse participation at the Town Meeting,  
we need to know more about you.

**Gender**

- Male  
 Female

**Age**

- 18-34  
 35-54  
 Over 55

**Education Level**

- HS degree/GED or less  
 Some College or Associate  
 Bachelor  
 Graduate

**Please indicate the amount of support your family member with autism requires:**

- None  
 Minimal  
 Moderate  
 Extensive  
 Not Applicable

**Race/Ethnicity**

- Alaska Native  
 American Indian  
 Asian American  
 Black/African American  
 Hispanic/Latino  
 White/Caucasian  
 Other

**Relationship to Autism**

- I am an adult with autism  
 I am a parent or another family member  
 I provide recreational services for adults with autism  
 I provide housing choices for adults with autism  
 I provide jobs for adults with autism  
 I am an employer, recreation provider or housing specialist who wants to provide options for adults with autism  
 I am a community leader concerned about adults with autism  
 None of the above

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