## PARTNERS in POLICYMAKING®



#### **APPLICATION FOR PARTICIPATION**

#### **CLASS SCHEDULE**

Partners is an innovative, competency-based leadership training program for adults with developmental disabilities and parents of children with developmental disabilities. The purpose of the program is two-fold: to teach best practices and the competencies needed to influence public policy and establish a cohort and network of advocates to support each other on this journey.

We will conduct five online facilitated Zoom sessions between February through early June 2024. Prior to each session participants will use the online Partners in Policymaking course that will be the basis for the facilitated sessions. There will be two cohorts one in English/ASL and the other in Spanish/Bilingual (interpreters will be available). These sessions will culminate in an in-person conference style session with leaders and other subject matter experts on policymaking. The culminating session will be on 3 pm on Friday June 14, 2024, ending at 3 pm on Sunday June 16, 2024.

Online facilitated Zoom sessions will be held from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm during the weekdays (to be determined by survey of participants for the most convenient time). The culminating session will be at the Sonata Hotel in Irvine, CA across from the airport.

Session 1 Dates: the week of March 4<sup>th</sup> Session 2 Dates: the week of March 25<sup>th</sup> Session 3 Dates: the week of April 15<sup>th</sup> Session 4 Dates: the week of April 29<sup>th</sup> Session 5 Dates: the week of May 27th

**Culminative Session Dates:** Friday June 14, 2024, Saturday June 15, 2024, and Sunday June 16, 2024.

#### **APPLICATION DEADLINE:** Tuesday February 21, 2024

APPLICATION DECISIONS AND NOTIFICATIONS TO ALL APPLICANTS BY: February 23, 2024.

## TO APPLY ONLINE: Email your completed application to:

SPANISH Language (includes bilingual)

ENGLISH Language (includes ASL)

Gaby Lopez gablop0527@gmail.com

Patty Moore pjmooreconsultingsb@gmail.com

## TO APPLY BY MAIL:

Association of Regional Center Agencies c/o Tony Anderson 980 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1450 Sacramento, CA 95814

Attendance is required at each session. Will you make a time commitment of five online trainings and one in-person session (February 2024 through June 2024)? Yes O No (Mark your answer)

The information requested on this application is for the purpose of selecting individuals who meet the criteria for participation in the ARCA Partners in Policymaking program.

## **PLEASE PRINT IN INK**

Name			
Street Address			
City		County	
State		Zip Code	
Home Phone (	)	Work Phone ( )	
<u>Cell Phone (</u>	)	Email	

1. Are you a person with a develo	mental disability? 🔿 Yes 🔿 No
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2.	Are you a parent or a family member of a person with a developmental disability? O Yes O No

3. Is your son/daughter or family member receiving special education services?  $\bigcirc$  Yes (If yes, please describe those services)  $\bigcirc$  No

# 4. Identify what is important to you?

**PLEASE NOTE:** The program does not include on-site childcare services during this program.

5. Do you require interpreter services (such as American Sign Language (ASL) or Spanish Language translation and interpretation)?

6. If you are a person with a developmental disability, will you be using personal assistant (PA) services or a facilitator during the program?

7. Please tell us more about yourself/your family, and any skills and activities that you would like to share.

8. Tell us why you want to participate in the Partners in Policymaking Program?