



**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
DEPARTMENT ON DISABILITY SERVICES**

# **PRESS RELEASE**



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## **RESOURCE FAIR ASSISTS PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES IN LEADING PRODUCTIVE LIVES AS INDEPENDENTLY AS POSSIBLE**

**Washington, DC**— This Friday, April 29, the D. C. Department on Disability Services will host a **Provider Resource Fair** to connect people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families to various supports and services that will help them achieve vibrant and productive lifestyles. The fair will be held at the R.I.S.E. Demonstration Center, 2730 Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue on the St. Elizabeth's campus from 10 am until 6 pm.

Representatives from an array of government, non-government, and social service organizations will be on hand to address the needs and interests of participants to foster true community inclusion and integration for people with disabilities. The event includes entertainment and practical information sessions about benefits, employment, and health and wellness.

An estimated 4.7 million Americans have intellectual and/or developmental disabilities, including approximately 9,600 residents of the District of Columbia.

**WHAT:                    RESOURCE FAIR FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES**

**WHEN:                  FRIDAY, APRIL 29, 2016**  
**10 AM - 6 PM**

**WHERE:                 R.I.S.E. DEMONSTRATION CENTER**  
**2730 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. AVENUE ON THE ST. ELIZABETH'S CAMPUS**

**WHO:                    PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, THEIR FAMILIES, AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT CAN ASSIST THEM IN ACHIEVING PRODUCTIVE LIVES AS CONTRIBUTING MEMBERS OF THEIR COMMUNITIES.**

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The Department on Disability Services is a dynamic organization serving people with disabilities through the services of was Developmental Disabilities Administration and the Rehabilitation Services Administration. This comprehensive collaborative approach provides innovative high quality services that enable people with disabilities to lead productive lives as vital members of their families, schools, workplaces, and communities. Learn more at [www.dds.dc.gov](http://www.dds.dc.gov) and follow us at <https://www.facebook.com/DDS.DC>.