CPF ORGANIZATIONS' DESCRIPTION and CONTACT INFORMATION

Disability Rights California

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Disability Rights California is a federally mandated nonprofit advocacy agency that works with people with disabilities to advance their human and legal rights. Disability Rights California advocacy is intended to change the system so that it values diversity, culture and each individual; to create a barrier free, inclusive world where people with disabilities enjoy equality, dignity, power, and independence and have access to supports chosen and directed by the person with a disability. Services available from Disability Rights California include: information and referral; peer and self-advocacy; representation in administrative and judicial proceedings; investigation of abuse and neglect; legislative advocacy; and training.

California Alliance for Inclusive Communities

Pat Napoliello, (415) 577-8404

The California Alliance for Inclusive Communities (CAIC) is one of the leading consumer and family-based advocacy organizations in California dedicated to furthering the rights and dignity of people and families affected by developmental disabilities.

The Arc of California

Tony Anderson (916) 770-0091

The Arc of California, founded in 1953, is the largest family-based organization in California dedicated to improving the quality of life for people with developmental disabilities. Arc was one of the original organizations that sponsored and fought for the Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Services Act (1969) which embodied the state's obligation to minimize institutionalization by supporting people to live in integrated community settings.

Capitol People First

Contact through Disability Rights California

Capitol People First is a non-profit organization based in Sacramento, California whose members are persons with developmental disabilities. Capitol People First is dedicated to self-advocacy, helping primary consumers assume greater control over their own lives and enabling people with disabilities to live, learn, work and play in integrated environments with non-disabled people. For more information and photos, see <u>http://www.supportedlife.org/sacp/sacp.asp?pageID=pfCapitol</u>