

SUPPORT GROUPS IN RHODE ISLAND



Special Needs

Support Group for Families & Caregivers of Children with Special Healthcare Needs – 2011

Day: First Monday of Each Month

Time: 10:00 – 11:30 am

Location: Children’s Neurodevelopment Center Conference Room – 593 Eddy St., Providence, RI

Facilitated by: Lisa Landry-Testa & Roberta Zimmerman

Please Note: Children are welcome; Parking is provided

Questions?: Call 444-8485 or email Tara Townsend at townsend@ripin.org

Support Group for Parents of Children with Special Needs

Day: 3rd Saturday of each month (excluding July & August)

Time: 10:00 – 11:30 am

Location: Rhode Island Parent Information Network (RIPIN) – 1210 Pontiac Ave., Cranston, RI

Facilitated by: Betsy Masse

Please Note: Children are welcome; Refreshments are provided

Questions?: Call 270-0101 ext. 139 or email Tara Townsend at townsend@ripin.org

Spanish Support Group for Parents of Children with Special Needs

Day: 2nd Saturday of each month (excluding July & August)

Time: 10:00 – 11:30 am

Location: Rhode Island Parent Information Network (RIPIN) – 1210 Pontiac Ave., Cranston, RI

Facilitated by: Barbara Torres

Please Note: Children are welcome; Refreshments are provided

Questions?: Call 270-0101 ext. 139 or email Tara Townsend at townsend@ripin.org

Self-Directed Supports User Group

Day: TBA

Time: 1:30 – 3:30 pm

Location: Sherlock Center on Disabilities @ Rhode Island College, 600 Mount Pleasant Ave, Providence, RI

Facilitated by: Claire Rosenbaum

Please Note: RSVP is required

Questions?: Call 456-4732 or email Claire at crosenbaum@ric.edu

Autism Spectrum

Grand Connections Support Group for Grandparents of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders

Day: Second Monday of Each Month

Time: 9:30 – 11:00 am

Location: The Autism Project, 1516 Atwood Ave, Johnston, RI

Facilitated by: Jennifer Garcia, Training Coordinator at the Autism Project

Questions?: Call 785-2666 ext. 1012 or email Jennifer Garcia at

Jennifer@theautismproject.org

Family Connections Support Group for caregivers with children who have Autism Spectrum Disorders

Day: First Wednesday of Each Month

Time: 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Location: The Autism Project, 1516 Atwood Ave, Johnston, RI

Facilitated by: Susan Baylis, Parent Consultant at the Autism Project

Questions?: Call 785-2666 ext. 1021

ASDads Support Group for fathers who have children with Autism Spectrum Disorders

Day: Second Monday of Each Month

Time: 7:00 – 8:30 pm

Location: The Autism Project, 1516 Atwood Ave, Johnston, RI

Facilitated by: Susan Baylis, Parent Consultant at the Autism Project

Questions?: Call 785-2666 ext. 1021

CHADD of RI's Families of Children & Adolescents with Attention Deficit Disorder Support Group

Day: 1st Wednesday of each month (October – June)

Time: 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Location: Call for meeting location or visit us at www.chadd.net/810

Questions?: Call 943-9399

RI Chapter of Asperger's Association of New England Parent Support Group

Day: 2nd Monday of each month

Time: 7:30 – 9:00 pm

Location: Bradley Hospital – 1st floor, Pine Room

Facilitated by: Barbara Whalen

Please Note: Call to verify times, no meetings during the summer.

Questions?: Call 333-1705

Parents of School-aged Children newly diagnosed with Autism

Day: Last Monday of each month

Time: 7:00 – 8:30 pm

Location: The Autism Project of RI
51 Sockanosset Crossroads, Cranston, RI 02920

Facilitated by: Barbara Whalen

Please Note: RSVP is preferred

Questions?: Call 333-1705

Support Group For Adults with Asperger's

Day: Last Friday of each month, no meetings during the summer

Time: Call for time & location as well as to save your spot.

Location: Call

Facilitated by: Barbara Whalen

Please Note: \$3 charge for pizza night

Questions?: Call 331-1705

Mental Health

Parent Support Group at Bradley Hospital

Day: Second Thursday of Each Month

Time: 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Location: Bradley Hospital – Pine Room

Facilitated by: Chris Brown

Questions?: Call 432-1205

Alliance for the Mentally Ill Children's Network's Support group for Parents of Emotionally Challenged or Challenging Children.

Day: 4th Tuesday of each month

Time: Call for time.

Location: Bradley Hospital's Pine Room

Facilitated by: Chris Brown

Questions?: Call 726-4744 or 432-1205

Traumatic Brain Injury

Support Group for Warwick Families & Survivors of Traumatic Brain Injury

Day: 1st Tuesday of each month

Time: 5:30 – 7:00 pm

Location: Sargent Rehabilitation Center 800 Quaker Lane, Warwick

Facilitated by: Laurie Hicks, MSW, LICSW & Caroline Gojcz, LICSW

Please Note: RSVP is preferred

Questions?: Call 886-6600

Support Group for Providence Families & Survivors of Traumatic Brain Injury

Day: 1st Wednesday of each month

Time: 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Location: SNERC at Our Lady of Fatima Hospital Cafeteria; 200 High Service Rd., North Providence

Facilitated by: Erin Bean

Please Note: RSVP is preferred

Questions?: Call 456-3944

Support Group for Newport Families & Survivors of Traumatic Brain Injury

Day: 2nd Tuesday of each month

Time: 6:30 – 7:45 pm

Location: Vanderbilt Rehabilitation Center Newport Hospital; 16 Powel Ave, Newport

Facilitated by: Rebecca Vickers

Please Note: RSVP is preferred

Questions?: Call 461-6599

Support Group for Cranston Families & Survivors of Traumatic Brain Injury

Day: 3rd Wednesday of each month

Time: 6:00 – 7:30 pm

Location: Brain Injury Resource Center 935 Park Ave. Suite 8, Cranston

Facilitated by: Lisa Onarato

Please Note: RSVP is preferred

Questions?: Call 461-6599

Support Group for Northern RI Families & Survivors of Traumatic Brain Injury

Day: 4th Tuesday of each month

Time: 2:30 – 4:00 pm

Location: Pulmonary Rehab Room at the Rehab Hospital of RI in North Smithfield

Facilitated by: Linda Silva, P.T.A.

Please Note: RSVP is preferred

Questions?: Call 766-0800 ext. 5311

Cancer

Breast Cancer Support Group

Day: 1st Thursday of each month

Time: 5:00 – 6:30 pm

Location: Women & Infants Hospital, Providence – 2nd floor Breast Health Center

Questions?: Call 274-1122 ext. 7284 or 230-3844

Gyn Cancer Support Group

Day: 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month

Time: 5:00 – 6:30 pm

Location: Women & Infants Hospital, Providence – 2nd floor Breast Health Center

Questions?: Call 274-1122 ext. 7202

Kid's Talk

For kids ages 6 to teen whose family members have been diagnosed with cancer

Day: Every Monday

Time: 4:00 – 5:30 pm

Location: Women & Infants Hospital, Providence – 2nd floor Breast Health Center

Questions?: Call 274-1122 ext. 7284

Metastatic Breast Cancer Support Group

Day: 2nd & 4th Thursday of each month

Time: 1:00 – 2:30 pm

Location: Women & Infants Hospital, Providence – 2nd floor Breast Health Center

Questions?: Call 274-1122 ext. 7284

Violence

The Samaritans of RI Safe Place Support Group

Day: Every Tuesday, excluding holidays

Time: 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Location: First Unitarian Church Community Center, 1 Benevolent Street, Providence

Questions?: Call 272.4243 or visit www.samaritansri.org

Battered Women's Support Group in Newport

Day: Monday's & Wednesday's

Time: Monday 6:00 – 7:30 pm; Wednesday 1:00 – 2:30 pm

Location: Women's Resource Center of Newport County, 114 Touro St., Newport

Questions?: Call 846-5263

Battered Women's Support Group in Warren

Day: Call for day

Time: 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Location: 517 Main St., Warren

Questions?: Call 846-5263

Multilingual Group for Abused Women (English, Spanish & Portuguese)

Day: Friday Mornings

Time: Call for time

Location: Blackstone Shelter

Questions?: Call 723-3057

Miscellaneous

Families and Friends of People with Eating Disorder's Support Group

Day: First Tuesday of each month

Time: 7:00 – 8:30 pm

Location: Butler Hospital

Questions?: Call 455-6228

Chron's Disease & Colitis Support Group for Women

Day: 1st Wednesday of each month **Time:** 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Location: 100 Dudley St., Providence – lower level classroom

Questions?: Call 453-7953

Expressive Therapies Support Group

Experience-guided meditation & hands-on art class to help transform feelings and emotions into images that help us find meaning through symbolic representation.

Day: Every Wednesday

Time: 10:00 – 11:30 am

Location: Women & Infants Hospital, Providence – 2nd floor Breast Health Center

Questions?: Call 274-1122 ext. 7104

Lymphedema Support Group

Day: 1st Friday of each month

Time: 1:30 pm

Location: Women & Infants Hospital, Providence – 2nd floor Breast Health Center

Questions?: Call 274-1122 ext. 7285

Miscarriage, Infant Death & Stillbirth Support Group

Day: 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month

Time: 7:00 – 8:30 pm

Location: Ronald McDonald House, 45 Gay St., Providence – 2nd floor Breast Health Center

Questions?: Call 274-1122 ext. 4049

Lupus Support Group

Day: On-going

Location: rhode-island-lupus-online-support-group@googlegroups.com

Questions?: Call 270-0101 ext. 110