Register Now!!!

14th Kansas Disability Caucus
August 9-10, 2018
Ramada Inn, Topeka, KS

Moving Forward
Turning SETBACKS Into COMEBACKS!
The 14th Kansas Disability Caucus will be held in Topeka, KS on August 9th and 10th, 2018. People with all types of disabilities, of all ages, representing every county of the State, are invited to attend. The purpose of the Kansas Disability Caucus is to provide opportunities for Kansans with disabilities to learn, share, and provide solutions to issues faced by the disability community.

In 1988 ninety people attended the first Kansas Disability Caucus in Salina, KS. The outcome of these individuals coming together was a united charge to pass the first consumer directed personal care assistance program in Kansas. It has been common to have leaders in the disability rights movement, such as Ed Roberts, Andy Imparato, and Kelly Buckland, speak at the Caucus in the past.

One of the vital pieces of the KS Disability Caucus has always been to have participants divide into three regions where we gather their concerns on issues or barriers to their independence and potential solutions that they may have. Another important part is the opportunity for participants to gain information about topics and issues occurring that affect Kansans with disabilities and our rights to live independently in our communities and make choices in our lives.

This year's Caucus theme is Moving Forward: Turning Setbacks Into Comebacks! Within the Federal government, there have been numerous attacks in the last year, as we expect more to come, on vital programs and civil rights laws that provide the power for people with disabilities to live healthy, independent, and productive lives. In addition, our State government has made many changes in programs that have limited or held back Kansans with disabilities from doing the same. The KS Disability Caucus believes it is time that we move forward stronger than ever, without looking back, to come out standing our ground in what we know are our rights to quality healthcare; Home and Community Based Services; accessible and affordable housing and transportation; equal employment opportunities; accessible, quality education; and protection of our civil and human rights. Although we have made some positive steps recently in the State Legislature, Kansas was a leader among the disability community across the country for many years. It is time we accept that we have had some setbacks and forge forward to make Kansas a great state for people with disabilities to live an integrated life of choice, freedom, and independence.

The Kansas Disability Caucus hopes that you are able to join us on August 9th & 10th in Topeka to Move Forward by Turning Setbacks Into Comebacks!
2018 KANSAS DISABILITY CAUCUS
Moving Forward: Turning Setbacks Into Comebacks!

_Tentative Schedule_

● **Thursday, August 9, 2018 ●**

Exhibitors Open – 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Registration (Box Lunch provided at Noon)

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **WELCOME & OPENING PLENARY**

2:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. **REGIONAL CAUCUS SESSIONS BREAK OUT (3)**

3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Concurrent Sessions (4)

4:45 p.m. – 5:45 p.m. Concurrent Sessions (3)

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. **AWARDS BANQUET** – includes Dinner & Keynote Speaker

● **Friday, August 10, 2018 ●**

Exhibitors Open – 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Breakfast (included with sleeping room registration)

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Concurrent Sessions (4)

10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. **REGIONAL CAUCUS SESSIONS BREAK OUT (3)**

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Lunch Plated

12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. Concurrent Sessions (3)

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. **REGIONAL CAUCUS SOLUTIONS REPORT OUT**

3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **CLOSING CEREMONY**
2018 KANSAS DISABILITY CAUCUS
General Information

Due to chemical sensitivities, the Caucus will be a scent and smoke free event. Please refrain from using scented products and please use designated smoking areas outside.

REGISTRATION
Complete and return the hotel/conference registration form included in this booklet, along with your payment. The Disability Caucus will make all hotel reservations. Confirmation of your registration will be sent directly to you. If you have questions, please call Rosie Cooper at 785-817-3047.

SUPPORT SERVICES or ACCOMMODATIONS

Adaptive Equipment: Arrangements for shower chairs, TTY’s, and any other adaptive equipment must be filled out on the registration form. Please be sure to check the appropriate box on the registration form.

Personal Assistant Services: The Disability Caucus will provide PA services during the scheduled conference activities. Anyone requiring additional personal assistant services MUST make a request on the registration form.

ASL Interpreters: The Disability Caucus will provide ASL interpreters during scheduled conference activities. You MUST request interpreter services on your registration form to ensure appropriate interpreter service is available for you.

Accessible Formats: Anyone wishing to have Caucus materials in alternate format MUST request it on your registration form. These accessible formats include large print, electronic text only/flash drive, Braille, and Real Time Caption/CART.

REMEMBER TO:
- Print clearly so we can read it correctly.
- Provide us with a phone number and area code if we need to contact you.
- Let us know when you plan to arrive and depart the hotel.
- Decide which registration you would like to take advantage of.
- Mark any adaptive or accessible needs you require to attend the Caucus.
- Let us know any special diet needs.
If you need to explain, please comment here: ___________________________________________________________

Don't forget to mail your registration and payment back by July 13, 2018!!!!!!
Due to a high volume of participants, the deadline date will be strictly enforced!!

Registration is limited to the first 200 people, so get your registration in!
KS Disability Caucus, P.O. Box 67161, Topeka, KS 66667
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2018 KANSAS DISABILITY CAUCUS
August 9-10, 2018
HOTEL/CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM -- PLEASE PRINT
Location: Ramada Inn Downtown, Topeka, KS
Limit of 200 Registrants!

Name_________________________________________ (M)____ (F)_____ 

Address_________________________________________________________________________________

City_____________________________ ZIP_________________ 

Area Code/Phone Number__________________________ 

Arrival Date________________________ Departure Date__________________________ 

Registration Type: (Rooms include registration fee and meals during Caucus sessions unless otherwise noted)
☐= Single room- $300
☐= Double/Share a room- $200
☐= Registration with no hotel room- $100

Roommate Name_________________________________ 

*Scholarship ☐ Assistance is available for people with disabilities who require financial aid in order to attend. Partial and full scholarships are available. A $40 registration fee is required so as many participants as possible may attend. Participants will be required to share a room.

Adaptive Equipment/Room Requests:
For the purpose of lodging, are you a wheelchair user? _____ YES _____ NO
☐ Shower chair ☐ Roll in shower ☐ Bathroom door removed
☐ TTY ☐ Assistive Listening Device ☐ Other__________________________

Alternate Format:
☐ Large Print ☐ Electronic Text Only/Flash Drive
☐ Braille ☐ Real Time Caption/CART

Personal Assistant (PA) Services:
☐ I will need a PA during scheduled events. (If yes, we will be in contact to try to best meet your needs.)
Will you bring your own PA? _____ YES _____ NO ☐ PA Name__________________________________________________________________________

ASL Interpreter Service:
Will you need ASL interpreter service during scheduled events? _____ YES _____ NO

Special Diet: ☐ Diabetic ☐ Vegetarian ☐ Gluten Free

Return your registration and payment before JULY 13, 2018 to:
Kansas Disability Caucus, PO Box 67161, Topeka, KS 66667
E-mail – topekaroze@cox.net, Fax – 785-628-3116
*Checks should be made payable to Kansas Disability Caucus.
(Alternate formats available upon request)
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To:

2018 Kansas Disability Caucus Registration Form!!!