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**PARTNERING FOR STRENGTH
SUPPORTED DECISION MAKING
CONFERENCE**



The Parent Information Center, NH Family Voices and the YEAH Council invite you to the **Partnering for Strength Supported Decision Making Conference 2022**.

It will be held virtually on January 22, 2022 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. for Families, Youth, Young Adults, Professionals, or anyone who wants to learn more about supported decision making.

Study after study has shown that when people with physical, medical, and/or mental health support needs have more control over their life and make more decisions for themselves - when they have more self-determination - they have better lives. People who are more self-determined are more likely to live independently, work, be integrated into their communities, and avoid abuse. This conference will introduce the theory and practice of Supported Decision Making (SDM), explain roles within SDM, as well as an overview of resources and of what it can look like in Education, Employment, Independent Living, and Health Care

This year's keynote speaker sponsored by the UNH Institute on Disability is **Jonathan Martinis, Esq.,JD**

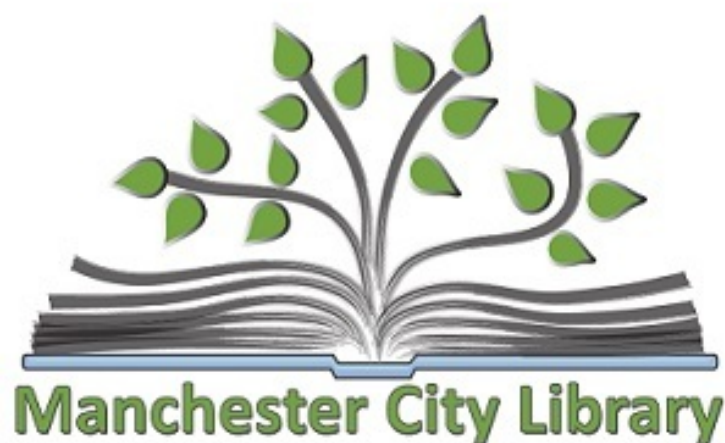
He is the Senior Director for Law and Policy for the Burton Blatt Institute at Syracuse University, leading it's efforts to ensure that older adults and people with disabilities have access to the services and supports they need to lead independent, inclusive lives.

Registration Fee :\$40 - For each Family Member that registers, a youth/young adult registration will be provided with that registration at no additional charge. (use code SDMYOUTH.)

If the registration fee is a barrier, please email Jenn Pineo at jpineo@picnh.org for grant opportunities that may be available to you!

[Register here](#)

Take and Make Crafts from the Manchester Public Library



The **Manchester Public Library** is offering **Take and Make Crafts**. Here are some that will be available after the holidays. There's a link to their full

event schedule below.

January 11th - Wool Penguins

While away the winter by making something cute! This craft is a little more difficult than most we've done, but don't be afraid to try something new! Made with roving wool, these little bundles of fibers are stabbed with a special needle over and over until they are molded into shape. Take care: this kit includes sharp objects! All materials and instructions are provided. These charming kits will be ready for pickup starting January 11, 2022, and are available while supplies last. These kits are for Adults only. Pick up at the Main Branch library in the Rotunda.

For more information, call Sue Harmon at 603-624-6550 x 3320 or email sharmon@manchesternh.gov.

February 8th - Beaded Zig-Zag Friendship Bracelets

Celebrate Valentine's Day by making your friend or loved one a beaded zig-zag friendship bracelet this February. These kits come with everything you need to create one beautiful bracelet. (Bead colors will vary.) These kits are intended for adults and will be available on February 8th in the Library Rotunda while supplies last.

For more information about this craft please contact Yvonne Loomis at 624-6550 ext. 3319 or email yloomis@manchesternh.gov.
Happy crafting!

Remember, all take and make crafts are free and are available while supplies last. Tell your friends!

[Manchester City Library Event Schedule](#)

Join the Self Advocacy Leadership Team to Learn About

Advocacy

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Jazzy Online Idea Networking

PARTY!

Join the Self Advocacy Leadership Team (SALT) for an online party that will get you jazzed about advocacy. Then you can JOIN us in our awesome fight for equality!

When? Saturday, February 12
2:00 - 3:30 pm.

If you RSVP to join@peoplefirstofnh.org by January 12 you will be mailed a special party pouch... Don't open it until the party!

Where? Online! Once we get your RSVP, we will send you the ZOOM link.

Questions? Call Julia at (603) 892-1561

To participate in this event, please email join@peoplefirstofnh.org. You'll be provided with additional info, including the link to the Zoom event.

You can visit the [People First of NH website](https://www.peoplefirstofnh.org/) for more info.

UNH-4U BRIDGES

BRIDGES TO COLLEGE AND CAREER TRAINING SERIES

UNH-4U Program Updates

UNH-4U is in the News!

The first cohort of UNH-4U students was featured in **UNH Today** this

month. The article, "Opening Doors," highlights how the program introduces students with intellectual disabilities to campus life. Each student from the inaugural cohort completed the UNH-4U Bridges program before entering the fully immersive and inclusive higher-education program. [Read the story here.](#)

UNH-4U Bridges Now Accepting Applications for Spring 2022

UNH-4U Bridges to College and Career Webinar Training Series is now accepting applications for its Spring 2022 virtual training. The series is designed to prepare young adults with ID, and previously eligible for the Individual Education Opportunity Act (IDEA), in pursuit of college and career. Takeaways include self-discovery, occupational/academic direction, advocacy, confidence with technology, social connections, and furtherance of college and career plans.

[Learn more and apply: UNH-4U Bridges](#)



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