Citizen Advocate Academy

The Minnesota Brain Injury Alliance Citizen Advocate Academy (CAA) is partnering with the Minnesota Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities to expand our Metro-based advocacy training. Join us to develop your advocacy skills, understand the legislative process and connect with policymakers in your community.

2014 CAA Training Schedule

Click inside the colored box for details on each event

**Session I – Telling Your Story: Creating an Effective Political Message and Voter Education with the Minnesota Secretary of State’s Office**

Tuesday, September 16, 2014
11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (lunch provided)
Minnesota Brain Injury Alliance Office

Sharing your specific experience and participating in the political process are the most effective ways to create the changes needed to improve services and supports in Minnesota.

**Session II – The Legislative Process: How A Bill Becomes A Law and Candidate Research**

Tuesday, October 21, 2014
11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (lunch provided)
Minnesota Brain Injury Alliance Office

Learn about the process that turns ideas into laws and how ordinary citizens can participate in the decisions made at the State Capitol in St. Paul.

**Session III – Grassroots Lobbying: Influencing Policy and the Medical Assistance Campaign**

Tuesday, November 18, 2014
11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (lunch provided)
Room 200, State Office Building

Put your advocacy efforts into action through effective grassroots lobbying to impact and influence the decisions of state and local policymakers.

Contact Erica Schmiel at ericas@braininjurymn.org or 612-378-2742 or 800-669-6442 to sign up.

*The Citizen Advocate Academy is a series of public policy and advocacy trainings held throughout the year to help you become a more effective advocate. For questions or for more information, please contact the Minnesota Brain Injury Alliance by phone at 612-378-2742 or 800-669-6442, or by e-mail at ericas@braininjurymn.org.*