




# LET'S TALK ABOUT DIFFERENT ABILITIES. 2024

## Topic :

Parents and caregivers to increase their knowledge of the Medical and educational systems that support a loved one with a different ability in their language and begin to remove barriers and stigmas to the different situations our community faces, but it also will raise awareness to advocate.

 Saturday, June 1st, 2024

 09.00 AM - 4.00 PM

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Conference

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## PLENARY SPEAKERS



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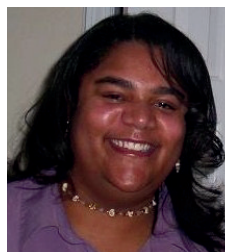
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Community Training Specialist with Vaya Health

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## HEALTH & ADVOCACY SPEAKER

## EDUCATION & TRANSITION SPEAKER



SESSION 1 HEALTH SYSTEM

### Jenny Hobbs

Chair of Advocates for Medically Fragile Kids NC.



SESSION 1 EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM

### Milagros "Millie" Ramos

Educadora Líder de Padres Bilingües de ECAC



SESSION 2 HEALTH SYSTEM

### Francisco Guzman

Minority Outreach Coordinator / Division of Child and Family Well Being, Whole Child Health Section



SESSION 2 EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM

### Stephanie Klitsch

Assistant Director of the Education Law Program at Council for Children's Rights



SESSION 3 HEALTH SYSTEM

### Paola E. Rodriguez

Attorney - Family Support Health Care Unit Charlotte Center for Legal Advocacy



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### Jenice Ramirez

Co-Executive Director of Education Justice Alliance



SESSION 1 ADVOCACY

### Sheila Arias, B.S.

NC Campaign Director/ Mamás Con Poder MomsRising Together & MomsRising Education Fund



SESSION 1 TRANSITION TO ADULthood

### Mariela Maldonado

Senior Hispanic Outreach & Support Coordinator Autism Society of North Carolina



SESSION 2 ADVOCACY

### Viviane Ortiz

CASE Bilingual Supervisory Advocate NC Disability Rights



SESSION 2 TRANSITION TO ADULthood

### Hayden Loeb

Research Assistant for Work Together NC & UNC TEACCH Autism Program



SESSION 3 ADVOCACY

### Victoria Cole

Program & Community Outreach Director Down Syndrome Association of Greater Charlotte



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### Tameka Lee


Director, LIFEguardianship, The Arc of North Carolina



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## Information:

we will have a lot of important information in the sessions and in the resource fair that will be outside the church, we will also have raffles at the end of the conference. we are waiting for you with many surprises.

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SESSION 3  
ADVOCACY

### Dr. Victoria Chibuogu Nneji

Founder, CEO & Care Partner of  
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SESSION 3  
ADVOCACY

### Alexia Williams

Special Educator Director



CLOSE SESSION

### Kelly Crosbie

Director of the Division of Mental  
Health, Developmental Disabilities,  
and Substance Use Services



CLOSE SESSION

### Jennifer M. Gierisch, PhD

Associate Professor, Department  
of Population Health Sciences &  
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### McLean D. Pollock, PhD, MSW

Assistant Professor  
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Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral  
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### Jessica Aguilar

Program Director Grupo Poder y  
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# HABLEMOS SOBRE DIFERENTES HABILIDADES 2024

## Tema:

Conferencia para Padres y los cuidadores para aumentar su conocimiento de los sistemas médicos y de la educación que apoyan a un ser querido con una capacidad diferente en su idioma para comienzan a eliminar las barreras y los estigmas de las diferentes situaciones a las que se enfrenta nuestra comunidad, pero también aumentará la concientización y promover la abogacía

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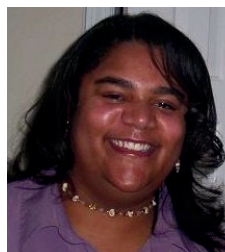
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# Hablemos sobre Diferentes Habilidades 2024

## PRESENTADORES DE SALUD Y DEFENSA



SESIÓN 1 SISTEMA DE SALUD

### Jenny Hobbs

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## Información

Tendremos mucha información importante en las sesiones y en la feria de recursos que estará fuera de la iglesia, también tendremos rifas al final de la conferencia. Te estamos esperando con muchas sorpresas.

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