



## NORTHWEST-2 Family Care Council ANNOUNCES A WORKSHOP ON ABLE UNITED

When: Tuesday, April 11, 2017

Where: North Florida Financial Corporation, 3664 Coolidge Ct (Southwood)

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Who Should Attend: Consumers, Parents, Guardians, Accountants, Financial Planners, Waiver Support Coordinators, Supported Living Counselors

How to Register: No cost but **registration is required**. Call Amanda with John Curry's office at (850) 562-3000. **Registration Deadline: April 4, 2017.**

ABLE United is a new opportunity for Florida's disability community. Until recently, individuals with disabilities could not have savings accounts for fear of losing benefits. This limited their option to build financial security. However, the Stephen Beck, Jr. Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act amended section 529 of the IRS Code, allowing each state to create a tax-advantaged savings program specifically for individuals with disabilities to save without impacting federal benefits.

This workshop is being held to educate participants on how to open an ABLE United account, who can contribute, how much can be contributed and how can it be used. This is a giant step for individuals with disabilities and Florida is leading the way. By learning about this program, you can help others learn and save.

### Speakers:

- **John Finch, Director of ABLE United.**
- **Attorney Lauchlin Waldock will be at the meeting to talk about how Special Needs Trusts can complement ABLE accounts.**
- **John Curry from North Florida Financial to discuss how ABLE accounts fit in with your overall planning.**

There is no cost to attend, but you will need to register by April 4 by calling Amanda at 562-3000. Refreshments will be served. If parking in front is full, you may park at the bank next door.

The Agency for Persons with Disabilities (APD) is committed to full compliance of the American with Disabilities Act (ADA). Persons who desire accommodations should contact Annette Zeeb at 850 595-8307. Please call at least 72 hours prior to the event to allow time to arrange your accommodation.

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