



**SiblingResources**

# **Sibchat: Future Planning**

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# Welcome to SiblingResources

- A collaborative partnership between
  - Cornell University's Yang-Tan Institute  
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  - sibsNY [www.SibsNY.org](http://www.SibsNY.org) – Lindsay Hyland

# Welcome to SiblingResources

- SiblingResources is a new resources available to adult siblings of people with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities
- Funded by the NYS Developmental Disabilities Planning Council – 2<sup>nd</sup> grant for sibling focus
- Response to a comprehensive Sibling Survey/2011 Report recommendations



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# SiblingResources.org

- Our mission is simple:

*expand the existing sibling data base and therefore, the sibling network throughout New York state by designing, implementing and sustaining a web-based information and resource portal specific to*

- adult siblings and
- service provider professionals committed to engaging siblings within the service delivery system



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- sibsNY is a volunteer organization dedicated to providing the siblings of individuals with intellectual, developmental and learning disabilities with information and support.

**<https://www.meetup.com/sibsNY/>**  
**[sibsny.org](https://sibsny.org)**

# Ways to Find Us!



- Website: [SibsNY.org](http://SibsNY.org)
- Facebook: SibsNY as well as SibsNY support
- Twitter: SibsNY
- Meetup.com: SibsNY



# Mission

*To provide siblings of individuals with disabilities the information, support, and tools to advocate with their brothers and sisters and to promote the issues important to them and their entire families.*

Everyone in the family should have a  
**voice and a choice** in the process





# How to get the conversation started



- Talk to your parents and sibling(s)
- Think about your role
- Think about the people who should be part of the conversation

The Arc's Center for Future Planning:  
**[futureplanning.thearc.org](http://futureplanning.thearc.org)**

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# The Sibling Survival Guide



Indispensable Information  
for Brothers and Sisters of  
Adults with Disabilities

Edited by Don Meyer & Emily Holl  
Foreword by Rachel Simon

## Chapter 11: Planning for the Future

- Alternatives to guardianship:
  - Representative payees
  - Power of attorney
  - Health care surrogacy

[https://www.siblingsupport.org/  
publications/our-amazon-astore](https://www.siblingsupport.org/publications/our-amazon-astore)

# Special Needs Alliance

- <http://www.specialneedsalliance.org/>



# National Resource Center on Supported Decision-Making

<http://supporteddecisionmaking.org/about>



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ABILITIES  
Matter  
Most!**

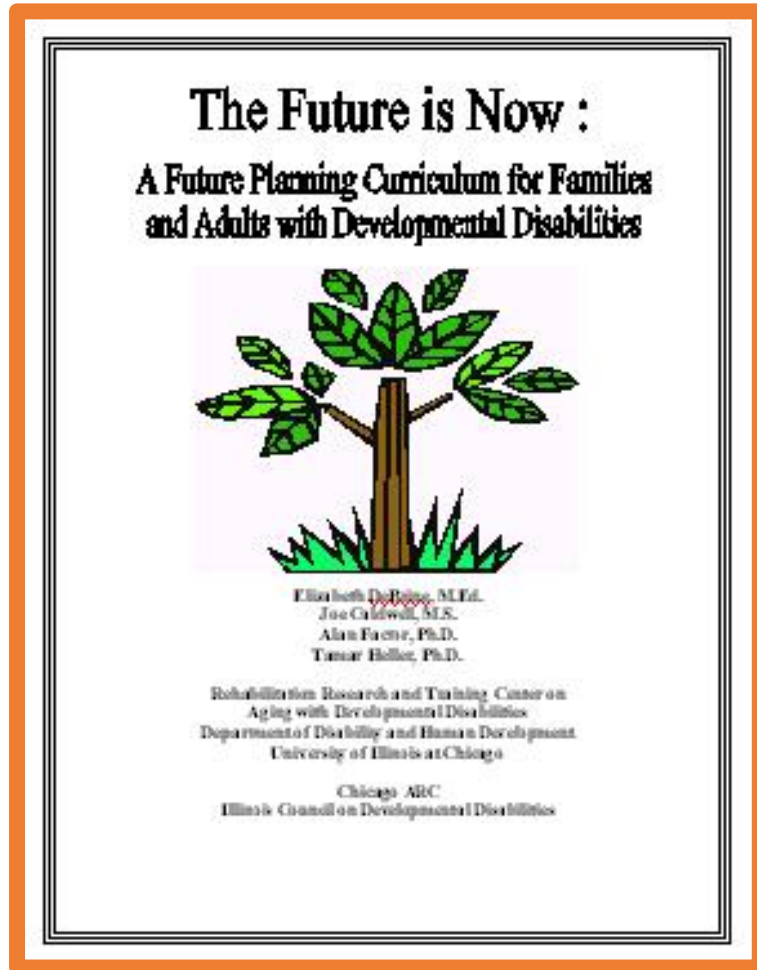


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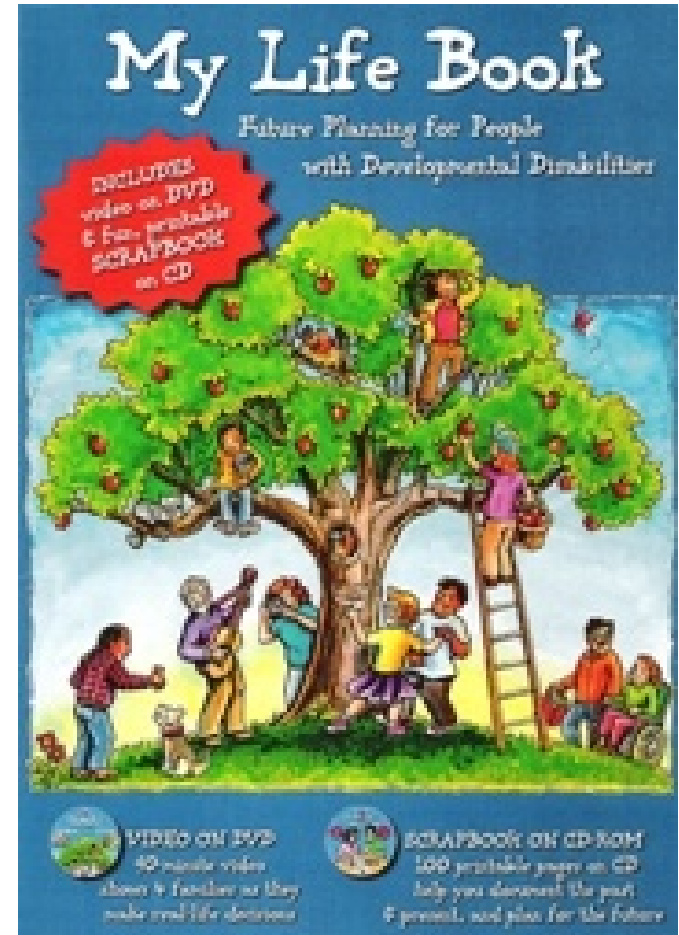
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# Future Planning Resources



[www.rrtcDD.org](http://www.rrtcDD.org)



[www.lookiris.com](http://www.lookiris.com)

# Resources for Siblings

Connect with other sibs:

- Join the SLN – [www.siblingleadership.org](http://www.siblingleadership.org)
- Join sibsNY – [www.sibsNY.org](http://www.sibsNY.org)

Online networks by Sibling Support Project:

- **SibTeen:** for teenager
- **Sib20:** for sibs in their 20
- **SibNet:** for adult sibs



## Sibchat panelists

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Let's talk!







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# SiblingResources.org

- is being designed to offer:
  - a blend of self-paced, live and archived web-based training opportunities,
  - links to relevant resources and current service delivery system information,
  - downloadable documents and tools
  - Access to and membership in a statewide and national sibling network

Visit the site! Join the network! Give us feedback!

*Growing SiblingResources Together!!*

# You are Invited!

## Sibchats:

- March 12, 7-8pm ET Topic: Sibling support and advocacy
- May 10, 7-8pm ET Topic: Navigating the system

**Register for FREE at [siblingresources.org](http://siblingresources.org)**





# Save the Date!

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## 2017 National Conference

June 24 & 25  
Hartford, Connecticut



For updates on details: [siblingleadership.org](http://siblingleadership.org)



