



**City of Danbury Commission for Persons with disAbilities**  
 155 Deer Hill Avenue, Danbury, CT 06810

**Monthly Meeting Agenda – June 10, 2014 - 6:30pm**

John Gentile (Chairman), Rose Marie Bouclier, Annie Dance, Paul Kachevsky, Joanne LaPorta, William Lewis, John Neumuller, Bobby Perez, Frank Reed, Frances Ryan, Chad Sinanian

Special guests:

- Michelle Place, Occupational Therapist from Western Connecticut Home Care (Danbury Hospital), will discuss issues of concern regarding the Affordable Care Act and challenges obtaining services
- Brenda Moon from Medical Home Care in Bethel will conduct a presentation regarding durable medical equipment as related to the Affordable Care Act

- Welcome & Introduction: John Gentile

- Review & Accept Minutes: May 13, 2014

- Phone Log: John Gentile

- E-newsletter update: Annie Dance

- reimbursement request submitted for April and May
- Last e-newsletter sent on 5/30/2014 - [Join us in observing National Mental Health Awareness Month](#) - for statistics & organizations that opened it please see addendum
- for past e-newsletters visit [tinyurl.com/DanburyC4PWDarchive](http://tinyurl.com/DanburyC4PWDarchive)
- upcoming possible e-newsletter topics:
  - June: Men's Health Week (June 9-13)/Men's Health Month
  - July: July 26 marks the 24th anniversary of the ADA signed into law
  - August: Aug. 12th-Primary Election Day/ADA (link to [ada.gov/votingchecklist.htm](http://ada.gov/votingchecklist.htm) & video - [eac.gov/making\\_polling\\_places\\_accessible](http://eac.gov/making_polling_places_accessible))

- Social media report as of 6/9/14

<b>2014 Social Media Report</b>	<b>Facebook Likes</b>	<b>Twitter Followers</b>	<b>Twitter Tweets</b>
<b>June</b>	33	179	286
<b>May</b>	26	163	262
<b>April</b>	23	151	222
<b>March</b>	21	143	Data not available
<b>February</b>	20	131	Data not available
<b>January</b>	20	110	Data not available

- On Demand Transportation: (kept as an open item)

- Danbury Buddy Ball Program (training program for children): Update - Frank Reed
  - Will keep as an open item on agenda for future meetings
  - Rose Marie reached out to them to get a flyer

- Miracle League of CT in West Hartford - John Slifka serves on the Board, will send John Gentile information to give to Buddy Ball organizers
- Open Discussion
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- Next Meeting: September 9, 2014  
Enjoy your summer - and keep the conversation going on Facebook and Twitter!

## addendum

- Last e-newsletter e-mail statistics



- nearly 220 people, from over 80 organizations opened our last e-newsletter including people from the following organizations:

ABC News  
 ADA Coalition of CT  
 AIDS Connecticut (ACT)  
 Ashfield Healthcare  
 Bloomberg.com  
 BMC HealthNet Plan  
 Bridgeport Mayor  
 Bridgeport Neighborhood Trust  
 Carousel News  
 CBS  
 CHRO - Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities  
 City of Danbury  
 City of Danbury - Equal Housing Opportunity Program  
 City of Danbury Commission for Persons with disAbilities  
 City of Danbury Danbury Recreation Programs  
 City of Danbury Fire Department  
 City of Danbury Health and Human Services Department  
 City of Danbury Police Department

City of Danbury, Mayor's Office  
 City of New Haven  
 CNN  
 Comcast - community show  
 CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF (CAD)  
 Connecticut Business & Industry Association (CBIA)  
 Connecticut Down Syndrome Congress  
 Connecticut Magazine  
 Connecticut Parent Advocacy Center  
 CONNECTICUT PARENT ADVOCACY CENTER (CPAC)  
 CONNECTICUT STATE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL (SILC)  
 CT Mirror  
 CT State Police  
 CT State Rep.- 98th district (D)  
 Cuyler News Service  
 Danbury Children First, Inc.  
 Danbury City Council  
 Danbury Daily Voice  
 Danbury Fire Department

Danbury Hospital  
Danbury Professional Firefighters Union Local 801  
Fox Connecticut  
Hartford Courant  
HARTransit  
Harvard School of Public Health  
Health Resources in Action  
Hearst Media Services, Connecticut  
LADIES' HOME JOURNAL  
Lifespan/Women's Medicine Collaborative  
MA Department of Public Health  
Mark Boughton for Governor  
Mayor's Office, City of Danbury  
Mental Health Association of Connecticut Inc.  
Middlesex Hospital  
National Diabetes Education Program  
National Federation of the Blind  
New England ADA Center  
News 12 Westchester  
News Times  
Orange County Post (NY)  
Register Star (registerstar.com)  
RespectAbility  
Reuters  
St Joseph Hospital  
State of CT Commission on Aging  
State of CT Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities  
State of CT Dept of Mental Health & Addiction Services  
State of CT Dept of Public Health  
State of CT Dept of Social Services  
State of CT Dept. of Emergency Services and Public Protection  
State of CT Dept. of Labor  
State of CT Insurance Dept.  
State of CT Legislative Management  
State of CT Permanent Commission On The Status Of Women  
The Cornwall Local  
The Journal News  
The New York Times  
The News-Times  
The Putnam County Courier  
Time  
WABC TV  
WBNR AM  
Westchester News  
Woman's Day (Hearst)