February 9, 2022
Developmental Disabilities Advocacy Day:
Northstar: Transportation Barriers

Legislative Priorities for 2022:
1. All drivers across all settings must be trained to properly secure wheelchairs.
2. People cannot access the restroom on long bus rides and need bathroom breaks, making it impossible for people to access medical appointments. This is especially problematic for people in rural areas.

10:00 Welcome:
   Gabriela Ewing—WA State Developmental Disabilities Council
   Ivanova Smith—Self Advocates in Leadership (SAIL)

10:05 Mike Gantala and Leigh Spruce—Northstar Transportation Workgroup

10:15 Cindy O’Neil—The Arc of Tri-Cities Transportation Program

10:30 Francie Peltier—Pierce County Coordinated Transportation Coalition, Special Needs Transportation Committee (video)

10:40 Disability Mobility Initiative #WeekWithoutDriving (video)

10:45 Jason Stolz—Spokane Self-advocate

10:55 Emily Arneson—Spokane Transit Authority

11:10 Diana Stadden—Bills of Interest
   The Arc of Washington State

11:20 Jessica Renner—Wrap-up
   Self Advocates in Leadership (SAIL)

EVALUATIONS!
Submit your evaluation of today’s Advocacy Day online by clicking here!

WHAT CAN YOU DO TODAY?
Make legislator appointments and email information to them.
Watch legislators pass bills on the floor: https://app.leg.wa.gov/far/Senate/Calendar

Register for next week’s Advocacy Day on Caregiving!
Register here: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEqduqvrTwrGdqYnR09zv6mehC5kNVFT