# Agenda

**Day 1**

**Politics**

**Monday, March 15**

## Welcome

9:30 - 9:45 a.m.  
**WELCOME**

- Welcome Bag - Yellow
- Raffle Drawing

*Jordan Lindsey, Executive Director, The Arc and UCP California Collaboration*

## Politics and Disability: What Are We Doing, What Are We Missing?

9:45 - 10:30 a.m.  
**POLITICS AND DISABILITY:** What Are We Doing, What Are We Missing?

*Rusty Hicks, Chair, California Democratic Party*

## Special Appearance: Comedian and Show Host Zach Anner

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## Politics and Disability: What Are We Doing, What Are We Missing?

10:45 - 11:20 a.m.  
**POLITICS AND DISABILITY:** What Are We Doing, What Are We Missing?

*Kristin Olsen, Vice-Chair, California Republican Party*

## The Next Step: Running for Office

11:20 - 11:35 a.m.  
**THE NEXT STEP:** Running for Office

*Sascha Bittner, Candidate for Delegate, California Democratic Party*

*Ryan Duncanwood, Delegate, California Democratic Party*

*Mary Platt, Delegate, California Democratic Party*

## Vaccines: Latest Update for People with Disabilities

11:35 a.m. - NOON  
**VACCINES:** Latest Update for People with Disabilities

*Aaron Carruthers, Executive Director, State Council on Developmental Disabilities*

## Breakout Sessions

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| NOON - 12:25 | **PROJECT HIGHLIGHT:** Disability Vote California  
*Riana Hardin, Self-Advocacy Coordinator, State Council on Developmental Disabilities* |
| NOON - 12:25 | **PROJECT HIGHLIGHT:** Planting the Seeds of Inclusive Higher Education with the UC Davis Redwood SEED Scholar Program  
*Beth Foraker, Co-Director, UC Davis Redwood SEED (Supported Education to Elevate Diversity) Scholar Program* |

## Day 1 Closing

12:25 - 12:30 p.m.  
**DAY 1 CLOSING**

- Raffle Drawing
- Survey

*Jordan Lindsey, Executive Director, The Arc and UCP California Collaboration*
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9:30 - 9:40 a.m.  WELCOME
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9:40 - 10:30 a.m.  MOVING MOUNTAINS: The Power of Advocacy
Mark DeSaulnier, U.S. Congressman
Isabel Bueso, Disability Rights Activist

10:30 - 11:05 a.m.  YOU CAN DO IT: The Road to Full Potential
Chris Nikic, Athlete, Advocate and Ironman

11:15 - 11:20 a.m.  SPECIAL APPEARANCE: Zumba Lesson with Instructor
Yulissa Arescurenaga

11:20 - 11:25 am  LEGISLATOR AWARD: California Assemblymember Chris Holden

11:25 - 12:15 p.m.  LA ABOGACÍA: Una herramienta para aumentar el poder de los padres
Jairo Gúiza, Especialista en Diversidad y Equidad en el Centro Regional del Este de la Bahía

11:25 - 12:15 p.m.  A HIGH AND AWFUL PRICE: Lessons Learned from the Camp Fire
Shelby Boston, Director, Butte County Department of Employment and Social Services
Chris Smith, Paradise Resident and Emmy-Award Winning Documentarian
Lt. Steve Collins, Emergency Manager, Butte County Sheriff’s Office

12:15 - 12:25 p.m.  PROJECT HIGHLIGHT: The Partnership Between Rape Crisis Centers and Disability Service Providers
California Coalition Against Sexual Assault and The Arc of California

12:25 - 12:30 p.m.  DAY 2 CLOSING
• Raffle Drawing
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9:30 - 9:40 a.m.  WELCOME

- Welcome Bag - Green
- Raffle Drawing

Jordan Lindsey, Executive Director, The Arc and UCP California Collaboration
Board Members, The Arc of California

9:40 - 10:15 a.m.  THE STATE BUDGET: Overview and Impacts

Scott Graves, Director of Research, California Budget Center

10:15 - 10:20 a.m.  SPECIAL APPEARANCE: Performance by Singer Shelby Gold

10:20 - 11:05 a.m.  AGING IN PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES: Are Current Policies Adequate to Meet the Challenges?

Nicole Jorwic, Senior Director of Public Policy, The Arc of the United States
Amanda Lawrence, Project Director, Master Plan for Aging, California Department of Aging

11:05 - 11:10 a.m.  LEGISLATOR AWARD: California Senate Pro Tem Toni Atkins

11:10 a.m. - NOON  PARTNERS IN PLANNING: If Your Attorney or Trustee Does Not Know the Difference Between an IPP and SUV, We Have a Problem

Steven Eidelman, Professor, The University of Delaware
LeAndra McCormick, President, Professional Fiduciary Association of California
Heather Chubb, Lawyer, National Academy of Elderlaw Attorneys
Stephen Dale, Attorney, Golden State Pooled Trust

11:10 - 12:25 p.m.  PLANIFICACIÓN FUTURA: Es Posible y Necesario

Liz Mahar, Director, Family and Sibling Initiative, The Arc of The United States

NOON - 12:25 p.m.  FINANCIAL INCLUSION: How CalABLE Can Support a Life of Possibility

Dante Allen, Executive Director, CalABLE

NOON - 12:25 p.m.  A TALE OF TWO SYSTEMS: Special Needs Trust Administration and Direct Service Providers

Herb Thomas, California licensed private professional fiduciary
Pete Wall, True Link Financial
Tom Heinz, Executive Director, East Bay Innovations and Life Trust Care Specialist

12:25 - 12:30 p.m.  DAY 3 CLOSING

- Raffle Drawing
- Survey

Jordan Lindsey, Executive Director, The Arc and UCP California Collaborative

*March 17, 2021 has been approved for 2.5 Units of MCLE Credit by the State Bar of California by the North Bay Housing Coalition Provider number 14598*
**Thursday, March 18th has been Approved for 1.5 Units of MCLE Credit by the State Bar of California**

**by the North Bay Housing Coalition Provider number 14598**

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9:30 - 9:40 a.m.  **WELCOME**  
- Welcome Bag - Orange  
- Raffle Drawing  
  Jordan Lindsey, Executive Director, The Arc and UCP California Collaborative

9:40 - 9:55 a.m.  **SPECIAL APPEARANCE: U.S. Senator Alex Padilla**

10:00 - 10:30 a.m.  **NATIONAL UPDATE:** Landscape and Priority Policies for the National Disability Movement  
Peter Berns, CEO, The Arc of the United States

10:30 - 10:35 a.m.  **SPECIAL APPEARANCE:** Stand Up Comedy by Bev Jerep

10:35 - 11:15 a.m.  **2021 OUTLOOK:** State Policy Priorities for the Disability Community  
The Lanterman Coalition  
Jordan Lindsey, Executive Director, The Arc and UCP California Collaboration  
Rick Rollens, Legislative Advocate, Association of Regional Center Agencies  
Tiffany Whiten, Senior Government Relations Advocate, California State Council of SEIU  
Barry Jardini, Executive Director, California Disability Services Association

11:15 - 11:20 a.m.  **LOBBY DAY! Advocacy in Action**  
Julia Ballantyne, Media Advocacy Consultant, The Arc of California

11:20 a.m. - Noon  **AWARD CEREMONY:** In Honor of Our Champions for Disability Rights and Equality

Noon - 12:30 p.m.  **Final Closing Remarks**  
- Raffle  
- Survey  
Board of Directors, The Arc and UCP California Collaboration