## FAMILIES FOR EARLY AUTISM TREATMENT

## **AUGUST 16 FAMILY RESOURCE MEETING**

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California Achieving a Better Life Experience (CalABLE) for People with Disabilities

Wednesday \* August 16 2017 \* 7pm to 9pm

Shriners Hospital Auditorium \* 2425 Stockton Blvd \* Sacramento

What is CalABLE? California Achieving a Better Life Experience (CalABLE) is a new program that will allow people with disabilities to establish tax-advantaged savings accounts with the

ability to save up to \$14,000 (currently) per year and up to \$100,000 without losing SSI. In California, beneficiaries will also have the ability to save beyond the \$100,000 (up to \$475,000) and still participate in Medi-Cal and other vital public benefits programs.

## **Eligibility Requirements?**

- Must be disabled before age 26 AND
- Currently receiving, or eligible for, SSI/SSDI OR
- Self-certification: Has been diagnosed by a qualified physician with a physical or mental disability resulting in marked and severe functional limitations that is expected to last no less than 12 months.

How can I use ABLE accounts? Moneys in CalABLE accounts can be used for "Qualified Disability Expenses" (QDEs), which relate to the person's disability and help maintain or improve health, independence, or quality of life. Some examples of a QDE include expenses related to a beneficiary's education, housing, transportation, employment training and support, assistive living technology and related services, personal support services, financial management services, legal fees and funeral and burial expenses.

This meeting is open to parents and caregivers interested in learning more about CalABLE.

## Autism affects One in 50 children



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