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(Grandparents Raising And Nurturing Dependents with Disabilities)

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News You Can Use:

Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) Information for 2022

Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits for approximately 70 million Americans will increase 5.9 percent in 2022.

The 5.9 percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) will begin with benefits payable to more than 64 million Social Security beneficiaries in January 2022. Increased payments to approximately 8 million SSI beneficiaries will begin on December 30, 2021. (Note: some people receive both Social Security and SSI benefits)

Read more about it here:

<https://www.ssa.gov/news/press/releases/2021/#10-2021-2>.

From: Social Security Administration at
<https://www.ssa.gov/cola/>

\$100 to Get Vaxed from Fulton County

Fulton County Government is offering \$100 gift cards to get vaccinated for COVID-19 at specific events on **November 3 or 6**. To receive a gift card you must **make a reservation for a first or second dose of Pfizer vaccine at one of the following locations:**

- » 5710 Stonewall Tell Road in College Park
- » 4700 North Point Parkway in Alpharetta
- » 3900 Aviation Circle NW in Atlanta

To make a reservation call 404-613-8150 or <https://gta-vras.powerappsportals.us/en-US/>

Protect yourself and your family and get \$100 – what's not to like?

ISDD is Hiring!

Like many businesses at this time, ISDD is having difficulty filling job vacancies. The task of hiring and retaining staff is more challenging for smaller agencies like ISDD as we can't offer the benefit packages available at larger businesses. At least not at this time. That is going to change because ISDD is growing! We are in the process of hiring our sixth staff member - a third case manager to help us meet the demand for services and eliminate our wait list. It was only a four years ago that ISDD had just two employees, so as an agency we have grown tremendously in a short time. Although we are short-staffed for the moment, we are working hard to identify hard-working, caring and talented new members of our team to provide you with the services and assistance your family needs. Please bear with us as we expand our staff! Current job openings are listed on Indeed.com <https://www.indeed.com/cmp/Innovative-Solutions-For-Disadvantage-&-Disability-1/jobs>

Support Groups & Classes >>>



Joining Virtual Groups & Classes!

Due to COVID-19, all of our group programming is offered virtually via Google Meet. Use the links below to join by computer, tablet or smart phone. You can also dial in to participate by phone.

USE VIDEO IF YOU CAN TO SEE EVERYONE IN THE GROUP AND ENJOY THE PRESENTATIONS!

Adult Support
10a.m. - 12p.m.

11/2 Diabetes:
You're in Charge-
RSVP ARC

Google Meet: <https://bit.ly/ISDDAdult>
Phone: 414-600-9528, PIN: 888 104 633#

Child Support
6p.m. - 7p.m.

11/3 Sharing &
Games

Google Meet: <https://bit.ly/ISDDChild>
Phone: 617-675-4444, PIN: 730 691 702 0287#

Adult Support
10a.m. - 12p.m.

11/9 Habits of Happy
Happy People-Humana

Google Meet: <https://bit.ly/ISDDAdult>
Phone: 414-600-9528, PIN: 888 104 633#

Teen Support
6p.m. - 7p.m.

11/10 Support &
Games

Google Meet: <https://bit.ly/ISDDTeen>
Phone: 929- 226-1946, PIN: 508 364 396#

Adult Support
10a.m. - 12p.m.

11/16 Support &
Sharing

Google Meet: <https://bit.ly/ISDDAdult>
Phone: 414-600-9528, PIN: 888 104 633#

***No support group 11/23 & 11/30**

Member Corner: Aline Wallace

Each month we select a Project GRANDD caregiver to highlight so we can get to know each other.



Age: 71

Currently Raising: Jaden Wallace, 7

Favorite Activity with her grandson: Singing songs with him, like *Wheels on the Bus*, and doing phonics.

Favorite quote: "I shall dwell in the house of the Lord." Psalm 23

Favorite TV show or hobby: Watching comedy shows and taking walks with her grandson.

Member of Project GRANDD since: 2019

Advice: "Don't listen to people who say you're too old to keep your grandchild. My grandson keeps me young because I'm always busy."

Why she was chosen by Sherri her case manager: Ms. Wallace has been caring for Jaden 24/7 since he was a baby with no help. He needs constant care, but she never complains. Her strength and dedication to Jaden is amazing. She is humble and appreciative of any help. She attends support group faithfully and keeps in touch with her case manager several times a month. Ms. Wallace is a pleasure to work with!

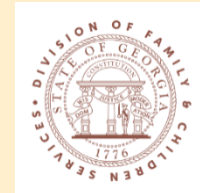
ask the experts >>>

Do I need a Flu Shot if I have been vaccinated for COVID-19?

YES! The flu and COVID-19 are different diseases so you need both vaccines to be protected. CDC recommends everyone 6 months or older should get an influenza (flu) vaccine every season. It is particularly important for people who are at higher risk for developing serious flu complications to get vaccinated. If you have questions or concerns, speak to your healthcare provider.



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Resource Corner

COVID-19 vaccination can save your life and the lives of people you love. It's FREE. Anyone aged 12+ is urged by the CDC to be vaccinated as soon as possible. Do it for yourself. Do it for others.

Find COVID-19 Vaccines Near You:

Visit [Vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov) to find vaccination providers near you. You can also learn more about COVID-19 Vaccination locations on this web site.

Text your **ZIP code** to **438829** or call **1-800-232-0233** to find vaccine locations near you.

Check your local pharmacy's website to see if vaccination appointments are available.

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