

Grandparents Raising and Nurturing Dependents with Disabilities

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March Project GRANDD Support Groups



March 14th DeKalb County Daytime Group:

Second Thursday of Every Month from 10:30am to 12:30pm
Covington Branch of DeKalb Public Library
3500 Covington Hwy, Decatur, GA 30032

Topic this month: Roland Dawkins from Humana is presenting on Protecting Yourself from Scams and Identity Theft

March 19th Fulton County Daytime Group:

Third Tuesday of Every Month from 10:00am to 12:00pm
Helene Mills Senior Multipurpose Facility
515 John Wesley Dobbs Ave NE, Atlanta, GA 30312



Topic this month: Is your child ready for life after high school? How early do you need to prepare? Dawn Gardner, Benefits Counselor from Bobby Dodd Institute will address these topics as well as other benefits including Social Security Disability, Medicaid Waivers, Family Support Funding and more.

Join us for an Evening Support Group for Grandparents Raising Grandchildren with Special Needs & Children's Support Groups

March 25th Fulton County Evening Group:

Last Monday of Every Month from 6:00pm to 8:00pm
Metropolitan Library
1332 Metropolitan Pkwy SW



All are invited to attend an evening support group for grandparents raising grandchildren with special needs and **separate mental health support groups for children aged 8-18**. Childcare will be provided for children under 8.

Topic this month: Dr. Michelle Davis C.O.I.N. Wellness presenting on Eating for Health and offering **FREE** health screenings

Need to **RSVP** by Friday **March 22nd**.

Register to attend by email to dabraham@isdd-home.org or call **404-947-3511**

Health Corner - Increase in Teen Tobacco Use Driven by E-Cigarettes: Report



“More than one in four high school students said they had used a tobacco product in the past 30 days.”

Teens’ use of tobacco products is on the rise, driven by an increase in e-cigarette use, according to a [new report](#) by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

More than one in four high school students and about one in 14 middle school students in 2018 said they had used a tobacco product in the past 30 days, [NBC News](#) reports. E-cigarette use increased from 11.7 percent to 20.8 percent among high school students and from 3.3 percent to 4.9 percent among middle school students from 2017 to 2018. No change was found in the use of other tobacco products,

including cigarettes, during this period.

“The skyrocketing growth of young people’s e-cigarette use over the past year threatens to erase progress made in reducing youth tobacco use. It’s putting a new generation at risk for nicotine addiction,” CDC Director Robert R. Redfield, M.D., said in a [news release](#).

“Despite this troubling trend, we know what works and we must continue to use proven strategies to protect America’s youth from this preventable health risk. Youth use of any tobacco product, including e-cigarettes, is unsafe.”

Senior Day at the Capitol a Great Success!

We had 13 Project GRANDD members attend Senior Day on February 7th. A great time was enjoyed and several grandparents

advocated with their legislators about pressing issues for seniors. Thanks to all who came out.



Welcome to ISDD our 2 New Employees:

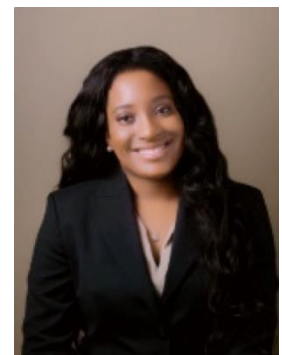
Please join me in welcoming Daniel Abraham and Brittany Farmer to ISDD!

Daniel is our new Program Assistant. He will be assisting staff with all of the programs but in Project GRANDD you will likely be getting reminder calls from him about upcoming events and support groups. He will also assist with support groups and event planning.

Brittany is our new Case Manager. She will be working full time for Project GRANDD and assisting with home visits, case management, support groups and all parts of the GRANDD program. She is a Master's level social worker and has several years' experience working with at-risk youth and families.



Daniel Abraham



Brittany Farmer

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Resource Corner

Save the Date! Family
Fun Day on Saturday
May 4th 10am to 2pm
sponsored by Fulton
County Commissioner
Marvin Arrington, Jr.
Includes health
screenings, fun activities,
live music, zoomobile and
face painting.

Oak Hill Family Center
2805 Metropolitan Pkwy
SW, Atlanta GA 30315
RSVP at
<https://2019FFD.eventbrite.com>

