



# Advancing Futures for Adults with Autism – AFAA Initiative



ADVANCING FUTURES  
for ADULTS with AUTISM

■ **AFAA**, a national consortium of leading autism organizations, has united to set national priorities, transform public policy and Service Programs for adults on the autism spectrum. Throughout 2009, AFAA will collect information, develop strategic solutions and advance the national agenda.

## ■ Advocacy Groups

### Organization Chairs

Autism Speaks  
New York Center for Autism

### Honorary Chair

Global Communities of Support

### Partners

TAP- The Autism Program of Illinois  
Alpine Learning Group  
Daniel Jordan Fiddle Foundation  
Easter Seals  
Hallmark  
Organization for Autism Research (OAR)  
Southwest Autism Research & Resource Center (SARRC)  
Center for Autism & Related Disabilities (UM NSU CARD)

## ■ Events

### November 13, 2009 - National Town Hall Meeting

The National Town Hall will be hosted by The Autism Program Service Network (“TAP”) in Chicago, with participants joining the national discussion via webcasts from at least 14 national satellite sites.

### 2010 Washington D.C. , Autism Congress

The Autism Congress will build a consensus statement outlining the existing challenges and providing cost effective, evidence-based solutions. This statement will serve as a national agenda from which an action plan will be devised. Participants will include individuals with autism, autism advocates, policy experts, elected public officials, public policy experts and university professors/researchers.



## For more information

To learn more about AFAA visit: [www.AFAA-us.org](http://www.AFAA-us.org)

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