NDSC Affiliate Program

As an Affiliate Program subscriber of the NDSC, your organization contributes to the strength of our organization. Providing enhanced support and collaborating with affiliates and parent organizations throughout the world is one of the primary goals of our board and staff’s Strategic Plan. Whether you serve 10 families, or 10,000, we are here to help you Educate, Advocate, Empower and Inspire!

Your 12-month subscription includes:

Free Printed Resources in English and Spanish, shipped to you

The NDSC knows that one of the largest budget challenges can be the printing, set-up, and language translation of printed resources. It is important that your communities have accurate and up-to-date information, but not at an exorbitant cost. They are great for families, as well as medical professionals. Our bi-lingual resources available to you include:

- Our informational Down syndrome brochure
- Our 2nd edition Prenatal Testing pamphlet, produced with our collaborative partner, Global Down Syndrome Foundation
- One copy of the Adult Sibling Toolkit and/or Family Care Toolkit (each additional Toolkit is $10, including shipping)
- New resources coming soon!

Outreach & Educational Programs

Through the Center for Outreach & Education, NDSC provides individuals with Down syndrome, their families and the medical and educational professionals that serve them, with meaningful and interactive programs, including Rural Summits, Educator Conferences, Advocacy Boot Camp, and beyond. We can tailor a program to suit the needs of the families you serve. Visit our website to learn more!

https://www.ndsccenter.org/outreach-education/

NDSC Webinars

The NDSC offers free, monthly webinars, providing best practices from experts in the Down syndrome field. We listen to what Affiliate leaders are asking for and present webinars that will best serve your constituents.

Affiliate-only Convention Programming

The NDSC Annual Convention has nearly 4000 attendees, from 20 countries. Our giant family reunion is the largest single-disability conference in the world! Affiliate Program subscribers will have access to exclusive programming onsite. Whether it is an Affiliate Leader pre-conference (send one staff or board member at no charge), an invitation-only reception, a featured national (or international) speaker, or an Affiliate Leader networking opportunity, being a part of the NDSC convention will give you a vital edge to surviving and thriving in today’s non-profit climate.

Advocacy in Washington

We are in Washington because you can’t be! From Medicaid to advocating for meaningful employment opportunities, the work we do on behalf of all people with Down syndrome is important for you and the local families that you serve. With the best Policy & Advocacy team serving the Down syndrome community, we are able to collaborate with many other disability-related organizations to truly make an impact.

Included in your NDSC Affiliate Program subscription is Group Membership to National Down Syndrome Advocacy Coalition (NDAC). As an NDAC member you will receive policy updates, advocacy tips, and important legislative news to share with the families you serve. Reach out to Lauren Camp for details – lauren@ndsccenter.org
**Multicultural Outreach and Materials**
The NDSC has a bi-lingual staff person, dedicated to multicultural programming, available to help you. Our NDSC website, *En Espanol*, hosts a very large library of translated articles for new and expectant parents, as well as information about medical issues, development, inclusion, and many other important topics. The majority of this information can be downloaded in PDF form for printing. Spanish programming at the NDSC Convention boasts workshops delivered in Spanish, as well as some that are simultaneously translated; making connections with other families; and more.

**Non-Profit Expertise & Training**
The NDSC is here to help provide you with important non-profit training and expertise. Whether you are in the infancy of starting your affiliate or your organization is approaching different growth points, we are here to help you. Through phone conferences (at no cost), or in person (travel fees may apply), we can bring our expertise and training to you (and your volunteer leadership) in the following areas:

- 1023 writing, 501 (c)(3) attainment
- Board development, governance, and training
- Fundraising
- Strategic Planning
- Budgeting
- Staffing
- Administrative Systems
- Programs & Services

**Affiliate E-Briefs & More**
Affiliate Program subscribers enjoy a monthly *Affiliate E-brief* that is content-driven just for Affiliates. In this e-mail newsletter, we showcase what other organizations are doing, keep you updated on noteworthy and actionable events, and deliver non-profit strategies directly to your inbox. In addition, you will receive our *NDSC E-News, Policy & Advocacy Newsline*, and event specific e-mail communications.

**Affiliate Directory Listing**
The NDSC loves to highlight YOU! When families call us, we refer them to the affiliate or parent organizations in their area. Both of our websites (English and Spanish), have an Affiliate Directory of local organizations. We highlight our Affiliate Program subscriber organizations. When people go to our website looking for local resources, you are there! We hope that you will return the favor, by linking to our website from your online resources (we’ll send you our logo upon request).

**Social Media**
We want to know what you are up to! If you send us photos of your events, programs and self-advocate stories throughout the year, we will work on posting some of them on our Facebook page (which currently has over 110,000 Likes) or featuring them in our monthly *Affiliate E-briefs*.

**Join or renew your 12-month NDSC Affiliate Program subscription today!**
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