



## MONTHLY SUPPORT GROUP

## Parent to Parent of PA

Thursday, November 5, 2015 7:00-8:00 pm. Doors open at 6:45 pm.



St. Matthew Evangelical Lutheran Church\*, 839 West Market Street, York

Please join us this month in welcoming guest speaker, **Pam Matesevac**. Pam will be discussing an organization called **Parent to Parent of PA**. Parent to Parent is a free and confidential statewide program that links families of children and adults with disabilities or special needs. They match families for one-on-one telephonic support to share information and resources. There is currently a database of over 1,500 peer supporters.

Pam is the regional coordinator for the South Central Region of Pennsylvania. She lives in Middletown, PA with her husband and four children. When her daughter Hannah was born in 2010 her pediatrician recommend she contact Parent to Parent. Pam is so thankful she had Parent to Parent and is still in contact with the person she was matched with. She is very excited to be a South Central Regional Coordinator and enjoys helping other families get the support that they need.

Autism York will be serving light refreshments. No RSVP necessary.

Our meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month January—November.

Child care is provided by at least two professional staff who are experienced with children on the autism spectrum. When possible, children will be separated into two different rooms by age groups. We encourage older children to bring handheld games, books or homework. Autism York will not assume responsibility for any lost or broken devices. If a child exhibits behaviors that are not easily redirected by the staff, parents may be called from the meeting to come help their child.

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## **OUR MISSION**

The mission of Autism York is to provide support to individuals on the autism spectrum, their parents, families and friends. Our group exists for the sole purpose of providing support in a safe and friendly environment. It is the intention of Autism York as a group to promote understanding and respect of all families and the choices they make regarding therapies and interventions. Through this group we will offer opportunities for families and individuals on the autism spectrum to learn, grow, and develop relationships that help guide one another through this journey.

## **CONTACT US**

For more specifics about individual meetings or events, or to sign up for our e-mail notification list, please visit our website at www.autismyork.org, call us at 717.801.1272, or e-mail to info@autismyork.org.

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