

Illinois Imagines has produced several modules and other materials to help local collaboratives better serve people with disabilities. Each month we will highlight a specific module or tool that can be utilized by collaboratives. This month we are showcasing the Education Guide.

Women with Disabilities and Sexual Violence Education Guide

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Part of the Original Toolkit, the guide is to be utilized in teaching people with disabilities about sexual violence and relationships. The Guide is broken into four sections: Healthy Relationships, Healthy Sexuality, Sexual Violence Risk Reduction and Safety and Support: How to Get Help. There are a total of 19 education sessions ranging from 15-45 minutes in length. Step-by-step instructions for implementing each session are provided. The Guide also includes the handouts needed for the sessions and other educational resources. It can be used with men or women.

A companion picture supplement guide is also available through Illinois Imagines. The picture supplement Guide uses pictures for the education sessions to enable those that communicate in different ways to learn from the material.

The Guides can be downloaded from www.illinoisimagines.org or can be ordered by contacting Sean Black at sblack@icasa.org.

Upcoming Illinois Imagines Webinar

○ **October 19, 10:00-11:00 a.m.**

Topic/Presenter: Supporting Deaf Survivors presented by Brandie Belford

Spotlight

One Victim's Voice

Written in partnership by two self-advocates in Illinois

I am a person, so treat me like you.

Don't hurt me, abuse me, or embarrass me too.

I think and I feel and I will speak out—

If someone does hurt me, I'll stand up and shout!

Listen to me and believe what I say

Because if you don't, the hurt won't go away.

Help me to get well and heal my pain

And don't let this kind of thing happen again.

If someone hurts me, then lock them away,

But still give them help so that they will not stray

And hurt someone else. If you do this for me,

Then I will be glad I spoke out. I'm set free!