

The New
Mexico
Disability
Story



Town Hall Meeting

October 8, 2014

11:30 am- 12:30pm

Southwest Conference on Disability

Potter Room

What we will be doing:

The New Mexico Disability Story is a state-wide, inclusive research project to document the history of disability in New Mexico from 1940-present into a textbook, a documentary, and a traveling exhibit. We are hoping to include stories and events that relate to the Independent Living movement, the Deaf and Hard of Hearing community, The Blind and Visual Impaired community, Veterans with Disabilities, People with Mental Illness, and the Developmental Disabilities/Intellectual Disabilities community. If we have left any group out please feel free to educate us. At this event we will work together to construct a timeline of events relevant to disability-good or bad. (Example: New Mexico was the 6th state in the US to de-institutionalize people with Developmental/Intellectual Disabilities. New Mexico was the first state to sign a White Cane Law, making it legal for people with disabilities to cross the street).

Who should attend:

Anyone interested in reconstructing the history of disability advocacy in New Mexico from 1940-present. Please bring a list of important events to place on our timeline and any names and contact information for people you think we need to talk to!

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