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On January 24, 2011, the 59th general session of the Utah Legislature begins.

Advocates for persons with disabilities know that talking to their legislators face to face is one of the most effective ways to educate them about the critical issues facing Utahns with disabilities.

To make sure that advocates have an opportunity to do this, the Utah Legislative Coalition for People with Disabilities and the Utah Statewide Independent Living Council is hosting a Legislative Reception at the Capitol Building on Wednesday, February 2nd from 4:30-5:45 p.m.

Advocates can invite their legislators to meet them in the State Capitol Rotunda and join in discussions around disability issues and concerns in an informal setting.

The names and contact information for your State Senator and House of Representative member is available online.

If you are planning to attend, please RSVP to Trisha Rouse by Friday, January 28th by calling 801-673-4118 or emailing trouse@usilc.org.

In Cache County, Town Hall meetings will be held each Saturday during the 2011 General Session. These meetings will take place in the multi-purpose room at the Cache County Administration Building, 179 N. Main Street, Logan, UT, beginning January 29th, at 7:30 a.m.

A light breakfast will be served, which will be paid for from campaign funds set aside for constituent interaction activities.

The town hall meetings are a way for lawmakers to share their viewpoints on issues before the Legislature and receive feedback from those in their districts.

It is also a great opportunity for disability advocates to communicate their concerns and issues directly with their legislators.