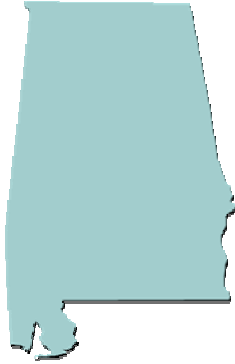




# Center for Self-Determination

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## **Alabama**

The Center for Self-Determination, with Imagine Enterprises

<http://www.imagineenterprises.com>, is

returning this year to

Alabama with “**Self-**

**Determination:**

**Staying Power**” in

April and August.

Designed to support



Alabama citizens with developmental disabilities, family members, advocates and allies and help them understand and build on the principles of self-determination and how each- ***Freedom, Authority, Responsibility, Control and Confirmation-*** can be the foundation for a meaningful life.



Ricky Brossard from **Get a Life in Texas** and author of “The Top Ten Reasons for Self-Determination.” will

lead much of the training. **Self-Determination:**

**Staying Power** is funded by a grant from the

Alabama Developmental Disabilities Council.

## **Wisconsin**

The Center for Self-Determination has been an active partner in the advancement of Self-Determination throughout the state of Wisconsin. In addition to various consultations and training sessions, the Center was very pleased to be a part of a training series “***Stories of Self-Determination – Next Steps in Wisconsin***” in late November.



Along with resource guides from the Center, a panel of five powerful speakers with disabilities did presentations in Milwaukee, Racine, Rothschild, Wisconsin Dells, and Madison about their lives, both past and present, and the successes they've experienced while self-directing individual budgets and receiving supports based on the principles of Self-Determination. The audiences included people who receive support and services, their families, friends, Managed Care administrators and teams, access and provider staff, IRIS Individual Consultants, advocates, Independent Living Centers, and others. The feedback was positive, noting that the speakers were very inspiring and helped people truly understand how self-determination works.