The Library’s Latest:
A Note from the Coordinator

—Over the past month the library had the following circulation statistics:
  * Checkouts: 10
  * Renewals: 4
  * Information Requests: 195
  * Web articles/printouts sent out: 198
  * Pamphlets sent out:
  * New Patrons: 603
  * Mediated Searches: 11
  * Out of State Requests: 10
  * Web Sites’ Page Visits:
    —CDR Library: 275
    —Library Blog: 4566*
    —CDR: 965
    —TECS: 804
    —Supported Living: 39
    —InfoAble Portal: 112

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Before his son Samuel was diagnosed with cerebral palsy, photojournalist Dan Habib rarely thought about the inclusion of people with disabilities.

Now he thinks about inclusion every day. Shot and produced over four years, Habib’s award-winning documentary film, *Including Samuel*, honestly chronicles the Habib family’s efforts to include Samuel in every facet of their lives. The film also features four other families with varied inclusion experiences, plus interviews with dozens of teachers, young people, parents and disability rights experts.

*Including Samuel* is a highly personal, passionately photographed film that captures the cultural and systemic barriers to inclusion and features interviews with educators, parents and disability rights experts.

*Including Samuel* has been featured on NPR’s All Things Considered, Good Morning American NOW and in the Washington Post and the Boston Globe. Exceptional Parent magazine said “*Including Samuel* is a must see film.”

The film won the Positive Images in Media award from TASH, an international group committed to the full inclusion of people with disabilities. The film was also screened at the Sprout Film Festival at the Metropolitan Museum of Art (NYC) and named “Best Documentary” at the Somewhat North of Boston Film Festival. In addition, the global aid group Mercy Corps is using the film to support the Iraqi disability rights movement.

The *Including Samuel* education kit includes a DVD, which contains all video material, and a CD containing the Educational Guide.
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Who Cares About Kelsey? follows Kelsey through the ups and downs of her senior year. As the film delves into Kelsey's life, we watch her navigate the halls and classrooms of her school and the fraught terrain of family and romantic relationships.

Kelsey interacts with a military father who questions her account of the past and dismisses her plans for the future. She manages her relationship with a mother trying to atone for past failures that set in motion some of Kelsey's most destructive behaviors. She spends much of her time with a boyfriend she cherishes but whose loyalty and support for Kelsey's newly forming independence are uncertain.

Who Cares About Kelsey? will make viewers reconsider the "problem kids" in their own high schools and spark new conversations about an education revolution that's about empowering—not overpowering—our most emotionally and behaviorally challenged youth.

When Kelsey Carroll entered high school, she was a more likely candidate for the juvenile justice system than graduation. Diagnosed with ADHD and carrying the emotional scars of homelessness and substance abuse, as well as the actual scars of repeated self-mutilation, Kelsey was volatile, disruptive and, by her own admission, "not a nice person" to be around. As a freshman at Somersworth (NH) High School, she didn’t earn a single academic credit, but she did get suspended for dealing drugs.

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**MMR Vaccine Not Linked to Autism, Even in High-risk Kids**

(Reuters Health) - “The measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine is not linked to development of autism spectrum disorders, even among children considered to be at risk, a large new study finds. Among nearly 100,000 children, receipt of the MMR vaccine did not increase the risk for autism spectrum disorder (ASD), regardless of whether kids were at higher risk because an older sibling already had the condition, researchers write in JAMA. “

[Click here to continue reading this article.]

SOURCE: JAMA, online April 21, 2015.
News and Events

“Knowledge is power. Information is liberating. Education is the premise of progress, in every society, in every family.”

~Kofi Annan

Registration for Surfers for Autism at Tybee Island, GA is now open!

Saturday, September 12, 2015.

At a Surfers For Autism event, our surfers are provided a safe, fun, judgement free environment where highly skilled surf instructors carefully guide them into waves.

Our surfers and their families are treated like rock stars and enjoy a day filled with a range of activities including stand up paddle boarding, kayaking, live music, face-painting, games, fire engine tours and much more.

A catered lunch is also provided, all at no cost to registered participants, their families and volunteers.

Go to www surfersforautism org for more information and to register!

About the Library

The library is a collaborative effort between BabyNet/SC First Steps to School Readiness, the Center for Disability Resources, the South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs, and the University of South Carolina School of Medicine Library. The CDR Library consists of books, videos, brochures, and audiotapes covering a variety of disability-related topics. The Center for Disability Resources Library is located within the University of South Carolina School of Medicine Library on Garners Ferry Road.