## Community Resource Fair

Disability

Wednesday, June 26, 2019 9:30 am-12:30 pm Biloxi Civic Center, 578 Howard Ave., Biloxi, MS

## Community Resource Fair for Health, Employment, and Inclusion

## You are invited to join this free community event to learn about free and low-cost resources available in South Mississippi. There will be lots of freebies.

Disability Connection is providing a Community Resource Fair with the support of a network of an estimated 80 non-profit organizations, government agencies, and businesses. The purpose is to provide the community the information they need to learn about and connect to the services that will provide them a better quality of life. It is especially designed to assist people with disabilities, veterans, seniors, and families, but there will be information for everyone.

Disability Connection (DC) hosts numerous large community health events designed to be inclusive and welcoming for all individuals. In 2013 over 600 individuals attended DC's "Celebration of Health" as part of the Arbor Day Disability Run/Walk/Roll. For over 5 years, DC provided the "Mayor's Disability Awareness Health Fair" and the "People with Disabilities/Disabled Veterans Job Fair" each serving over 700 individuals yearly. Over 5 years ago DC began the Employment Connection, a daily direct service program to provide better employment and health outcomes. In addition, since 2013, DC has provided the most respected community resource networking tool, the "MS Gulf Coast Community Resource Guide." It is available on DC's website and is continually updated, interactive, and downloadable.

In 2017, by the request of several nonprofit agencies, and with over 10 years of experience in resources, employment, disability, and health, DC brought this experience together in support of assisting the community in connecting to a better quality of life. In 2019, DC hosts the third annual *"Community Resource Fair for Health, Employment, and Inclusion."* One of the main goals of this event will be to engage individuals with disabilities through providing employment resources and tools to improve employment outcomes and eliminate their barriers to employment.



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