



HARD-OF-HEARING PEER SUPPORT GROUP

ADVOCATING FOR YOURSELF IN MEDICAL SETTINGS

Hosted by the ATEL Program

Join other HOH individuals in a supportive space! This group is designed to encourage connection, shared learning, and mutual support among individuals who are hard of hearing. Each month highlights a different topic designed to provide resources, tools, and encouragement for everyday life. Participants will leave with helpful strategies and a stronger sense of community.

This month, *Advocating for Yourself in Medical Settings*; have you ever left a doctor's appointment or hospital feeling confused or unheard? You're not alone—and there are ways to make those visits easier.

Join us for an interactive session where we will:

- *Role play conversations you would have with doctors and staff*
- *Learn how to ask for clear communication and accommodations*
- *Build confidence speaking up for your needs*
- *Explore tools like communication cards and wearable pins*
- *Discuss communication preferences for appointments (when feasible), including patient portals, text, or email*

Light refreshments will be served.

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Visit oscil.org/events to see
upcoming events and information.



Monday

May. 11

🕒 2PM – 3:30PM



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📍 1944 Warwick Ave, Warwick, RI



This session includes:

- **Guided role-playing in a supportive environment**
- **Helpful handouts**
- **Opportunity to try out self-advocacy phrases**
- **Time to share experiences and learn from others**

📌 **RSVP REQUIRED SPACE IS LIMITED**

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