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PROTECTED TOMORROWS

is collaborating with

BETHESDA LUTHERAN COMMUNITIES

to offer its resources to families and their loved ones with disabilities

Protected Tomorrows, an Illinois based advocacy firm for the special needs communities across USA, has announced its partnership with Bethesda.

Bethesda Lutheran Communities provides support and services to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities in 14 states through residential and supported living programs, outreach services and training workshops.

*Mary Anne Ehlert, President and Founder of **Protected Tomorrows** said "Bethesda's passion and excellent track record of helping individuals within the disability community is a perfect fit for our mission to enhance the lives of individuals with disabilities.*

*This collaboration allows us to expand our services while helping to support **Bethesda Lutheran Communities** by bringing added knowledge and skills. With our specialized "advocate training" Bethesda's family resource coordinators will be able to provide a comprehensive special needs planning for all their clients."*

*"So many families out there are not aware of the available benefits or are concerned about burdening others by asking for help. By partnering with **Protected Tomorrows**, **Bethesda** is able to help these families and caregivers to provide, their loved ones with intellectual and developmental disabilities, a future---to realize personal goals, and to live a full life," said Marily Gardner, National Director of Strategic Partnerships at **Bethesda**. "Protected Tomorrows offers us a partnership to reach the 87% of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, who receive little to no support."*

To learn more about **Protected Tomorrows Advocate Training Program**, or to become a licensed advocate... please visit www.protectedtomorrows.com, www.info@protectedtomorrows.com
Protected Tomorrows[®], Inc. is the national leader in enhancing the lives of individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities. By guiding families through its comprehensive, proprietary planning process, Protected Tomorrows helps ensure the well-being of a loved one by creating a Future Care Plan[™]. Working with clients, Protected Tomorrows addresses concerns such as: future care funding, government benefits, legal considerations, accessible housing, residential alternatives, employment opportunities, recreational choices, education options and family communication.

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Bethesda is a national support provider for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Bethesda offers a full spectrum of services for people with disabilities including residential and vocational support, faith life resources and community engagement.