

Farmington Valley Asperger's Network (www.favan.org) presents:

Julie Swanson

**Special Education Advocate
Disability Specialist**

10 Things Every Parent Must Know to Effectively Advocate for Their Child with Special Needs

**Tuesday, October 30th, 7 pm
Farmington Community Center,
321 New Britain Ave., Unionville**

In her special education advocacy practice, [All About Your Special Child](#), Julie has helped hundreds of Connecticut parents attain appropriate special education services for their children with disabilities.

Her passion for advocacy was born out of her necessity to attain appropriate autism services for her own son, long before autism's incidence exploded into today's alarming numbers. The lack of resources forced Julie to be her son's advocate, teacher, researcher and to educate her school system on how to effectively teach her child. Her passion for advocacy grew and she eventually opened her private advocacy practice and returned to school to earn her degree as a disability specialist.

Julie is a founding board member of Connecticut Families for Effective Autism Treatment (CTFEAT). She speaks throughout the state and appears regularly on Connecticut affiliate news stations discussing a wide variety of disability-related issues. For more information about Julie and [All About Your Special Child](#) go to www.yourspecialchild.com.