

# **APPLY TO BE THE KEYNOTE SPEAKER AT THE 2026 MASSACHUSETTS WEST REGION SELF ADVOCACY CONFERENCE!**

Are you a self advocate with an important story to tell? Would you like to get paid to speak on the theme of “Reaching for the Stars”? **WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!**

## **REQUIREMENTS:**

- Must identify as a self advocate with a disability and a story to tell
- Must be able to present for approximately 30+ minutes on the theme of “Reaching for the Stars”
- Must submit current resume

## **TO APPLY:**

Please send this completed form and a current resume to West Region Self Advocacy Peer Coordinator Amber Pettell, [apettell@wmtcinfo.org](mailto:apettell@wmtcinfo.org) 187 High Street Suite 202 Holyoke, MA 01040

## **APPLICANT INFORMATION:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICANT QUESTIONS:**

Please describe why you would make a great keynote speaker:

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Please describe what the theme Reaching for the Stars means to you and how you will express this theme through your personal story:

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Please describe your previous public speaking experience (i.e. have you spoken at conferences, presented workshops, led trainings?):

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Please describe the support (technical or otherwise) you will need:

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Is your resume attached? (Check yes or no)

☐ Yes      ☐ No

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:**  
**February 20, 2025**