

**CP of NYS Annual Award Recipient**

**Public Service Award**



**Eileen Nosek**  
**Aspire of WNY**

Eileen Nosek has devoted untold hours to support and develop opportunities that enhance the lives of people with disabilities and their families. She has been a member of the Aspire of WNY Board of Directors for 10 years, serving as its chair for three years. She also served as chair of Aspire's capital campaign in 2013 which exceeded its goal and allowed the organization to renovate its Center for Learning.

Beyond her work with Aspire Ms. Nosek serves on the CP of NYS Public Policy Committee and has been an active supporter of the statewide legislative agenda. Her knowledge of legislators, the process, the issues and her ability to effectively advocate on behalf of Aspire, and people with disabilities and their families across the state, has been a critical part of the developmental disabilities field's efforts in Albany. Eileen is always willing and eager to assist with advocacy efforts on behalf of all New Yorkers with disabilities and their families.

She has worked with infants and toddlers in the Early Intervention Program and 4410 schools and has also been intimately involved in other organizations in the region. She started Touching Bases, a competitive softball league for adults in 2004 and still serves as its managing director. Ms. Nosek is a former member of the board of directors of a Down syndrome parents group in the region and has been a long-time volunteer for SABAH, the western New York adaptive ice skating program. Eileen does all of this with a positive attitude and a smile.