

## **On the Same Side of the Table**

*The Special Needs Advocacy Network (SPaN) hosts  
a panel discussion between Special Education Directors and Special Needs Advocates*

**“What can Advocates and SPED Directors do to help build trust with each other to facilitate a child-need-centered IEP process?”**

The Special Needs Advocacy Network (SPaN) is hosting a panel of Advocates and Special Education Directors to address this question. The discussion will focus on ways to move beyond the perception that we’re on opposite sides of the table, and is intended for district-based personnel as well as advocates working outside of school systems, or within community organizations.

Dr. Alec Peck, Associate Professor of Special Education at Boston College, the higher education representative on the Massachusetts Special Education Advisory Council (SAC), and the administrator of the SpedEx pilot project, will moderate.

### Administrator Panel

Steve Gannon, Worcester  
Pam Kaufman, Framingham  
Susan Rasicot, Foxboro Regional Charter School  
Linda Waters, Wellesley

### Advocate Panel

Jennie Dunkley  
Jayne Fisher  
Shelley Greene  
Reva Tankle

**Please join us for an evening of collaboration, bridge-building, and myth-busting.**

**Tuesday, April 27, 2010**

**7:00 – 9:30 pm**

**At The Westin Waltham-Boston, 70 Third Avenue, Waltham, MA 02451**

For directions see: <http://spanmass.org/id29.html>

**Pricing: No charge for pre-registered SPED Directors**

**SPED Directors can register here:** <http://www.spanmass.org/id129.html>

\$30/pre-registered SPaN member; \$40/pre-registered non-member.

(If space is available, walk-ins are accepted for \$40. Please check [www.spanmass.org](http://www.spanmass.org) for availability information before coming.)

Parking is free.