

MEDIA ADVISORY

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WHO:	Inglis Foundation presents AWARDS for CONTINUING EXCELLENCE to four Philadelphia area organizations devoted to serving people with disabilities.
WHAT:	Awards Dinner and Presentation, including the presentation of the \$12,500 award for each recipient.
WHEN:	TODAY, TUESDAY, May 15, 2012 6:00-7.30PM
WHERE:	INGLIS 2600 Belmont Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19131 – FOUNDERS HALL
VISUALS/: AUDIO	Dinner/Awards setup – with representatives from the organizations as well as the clients they serve (people with disabilities). Good "feel-good" shots for B-Roll

The Inglis Board of Directors will recognize the winners of the 2012 Inglis Awards for Continuing Excellence. The Awards program honors the outstanding performance of non-profit organizations in the Philadelphia region that enhance the quality of life for people with physical disabilities, and by doing so, support the Inglis mission. Four organizations will each receive a \$12,500 award.

HelpHOPELiveTM (Radnor, PA) helps individuals and families overcome the financial barriers caused by catastrophic injury, amputation or traumatic brain injury through grassroots fundraising (formerly known as National Transplant Assistance Fund). (www.helphopelive.org)

LCD (Legal Clinic for the Disabled, Inc., Philadelphia, PA) provides free, high quality legal representation to low-income people with physical disabilities in the Philadelphia region to help them overcome legal obstacles that would otherwise affect their independence, health or quality of life. (www.lcdphila.org)

MossRehab Aphasia Center (Elkins Park, PA) meets the long-term communication and psychosocial needs of people affected by aphasia – a physical disability (usually the result of a brain injury due to stroke or accident) that affects a person's ability to speak, write, read and comprehend speech. (http://www.mossrehab.com/Communication-Disorders-and-Aphasia/mossrehab-aphasia-center.html) **Self-Determination Housing Project (Downingtown, PA)** is a statewide program that helps low to moderate income people with disabilities live independently in their own homes by making modifications for more accessibility. (www.sdhp.org)

INGLIS (www.inglis.org) enables people with significant physical disabilities - and those who care for them - to achieve their goals and live life to the fullest. Serving more than 1000 people daily, **INGLIS** includes a specialty nursing care facility providing long-term, residential care for 297 adults with physical disabilities including multiple sclerosis, cerebral palsy, spinal cord injury and stroke, among others. **INGLIS** also offers rehabilitative medical and nursing care; physical, occupational and speech therapies; and social enrichment programs to the residents. In addition, **INGLIS** offers services to more than 800 people living independently in the community including accessible housing, care management (helping people navigate the health care system), adult day care programming and community employment. **INGLIS** is the largest provider of affordable accessible housing in the Greater Philadelphia region with 208 housing units currently, not including Mission Green. **INGLIS** developed, assembles and markets a patented hands-free water bottle for wheelchair users called **Drink-Aide**[®]. All **INGLIS'** services and programs are designed to enable people with physical disabilities to enjoy life with the greatest amount of independence and mobility.

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