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Parents with disabled kids seek to flip burden of proof

This article provides an update on the NH House-passed bill HB 581:

From Yahoo News:

Moira Ryan of Londonderry, mother of a 16-year-old son with disabilities, says parents are outgunned when they appeal decisions made by special educators about their child's Individualized Education Plan (IEP).

Ryan and several parents urged a state Senate committee Tuesday to flip the burden of proof to make school districts show their IEP decisions were valid during any hearings about a dispute.

"I am asking you to help us restore some fairness to the system," Ryan said.

The House-passed bill (HB 581) before the Senate Education Committee



would add New Hampshire to eight states and the District of Columbia that make local governments, rather than parents, defend their points of view about IEP decisions. [Read more...](#)

[Read the full article here](#)

Waiting Lists May Be Eliminated For Disability Services Provided By Medicaid

Here is an important article from Disability Scoop:

The logo for Disability Scoop features the word "disability" in a lowercase, grey, sans-serif font, followed by the word "scoop" in a lowercase, orange, sans-serif font.

Work is underway on legislation that could fundamentally transform the nation's system of home- and community-based services, eliminating waiting lists and allowing people with disabilities to move across state lines without forfeiting critical services and supports.

A draft bill unveiled this month known as the HCBS Access Act would require Medicaid to provide home- and community-based services to everyone who is eligible and establish a minimum set of services that states must offer. The bill is also designed to help states create a network of providers and workers to deliver such supports.

The plan is being put forth by U.S. Rep. Debbie Dingell, D-Mich., along with Sens. Maggie Hassan, D-N.H., Bob Casey, D-Pa., and Sherrod Brown, D-Ohio.

[Read the full article](#)

Zoom Virtual Caregiver's Conference Listening Series



Is There Anything Out There for Caregivers?

We all know how difficult this past year has been during this pandemic, it has been ever more difficult for us as caregivers. In this workshop we'll discuss a multitude of resources that exists for all types of different caregiving populations.

When: Thursday, May 27, 2021, 6:30 pm – 7:45 pm

Presenters: Tina Goulet, MSW & Jennifer Brechtel, CHES

For more information contact: Ellen Edgerly, 603-834-9570 or Ellen@bianh.org.

[Register here](#)

Learn About the Virus and Vaccines From a Scientific

Perspective

For solid information about the virus and vaccines, watch this webinar with a NH Virologist, Ben Locwin.

To view the recording of the session, please click the button below.

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Survey: Apparel Needs of Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities



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Chante Gibbs is a graduate degree student studying **Consumer Apparel & Retail Studies** at **University of North Carolina** in Greensboro.

For her research practicum project, she is exploring the apparel needs of individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (I/DD). This study consists of an online survey that focuses on clothing preferences, apparel construction, clothing availability, restrictions, and other thoughts candidates may have on fashion.

If you are an individual with an intellectual or developmental disability or a caregiver of one, please consider taking the time to fill out this survey!

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