



**The Moore Center**  
*Creating opportunities for a good life.™*

## **Special Education Advocacy Curriculum Scholarship**

Understanding the special education process is important for families of children with disabilities to ensure that school systems are complying with the regulations set forth in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).



In partnership with Comcast NBCUniversal, The Arc is providing scholarships for eligible families of color and low-income households who reside in Comcast regions to receive FREE access to The Arc@School's Special Education Advocacy Curriculum (normally a \$99 value).

### **What is IDEA, and what educational supports and services are schools required to provide?**

The Advocacy Curriculum is a self-paced, online training course for parents of students receiving special education services and provides the basic information needed to navigate the special education system, including early intervention services, individualized education programs (IEPs), Section 504, and more.

## Who is eligible to apply?

You're eligible to apply if you are a person of color or an individual in a low-income household AND you live in a Comcast region. If you're not eligible, the Advocacy Curriculum is available for purchase for only \$99.

The application process is easy and only takes a few minutes to complete.

[Read more about the scholarship here](#)

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## Charting the LifeCourse comes to The Moore Center!



Over the past several months, families and case managers have been learning about and practicing using the Charting the LifeCourse

framework for person-centered planning and decision-making.

Five Moore Center staff members participated in a 6-week course to become CTLC Ambassadors last fall, and have since been working with families, individuals, and staff, to train people in the framework and support them in piloting the tools.

You can use LifeCourse with your family or for yourself to:

- Learn more about yourself or your family
- Organize your thoughts and speak out for what you or your family wants and needs
- Problem-solve and plan for taking action in your life or on behalf of a family member
- Direct services and supports

- Advocate for change

The website <https://www.lifecoursetools.com/> is full of great resources, and you can also reach out to Barbara Didona [barbara.didona@moorecenter.org](mailto:barbara.didona@moorecenter.org) or Michelle Lawrence [michelle.lawrence@moorecenter.org](mailto:michelle.lawrence@moorecenter.org) for more information. You can also check in with your case manager and tell them you would like to explore using LifeCourse tools for your family member.

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## How to Receive Your Missing Economic Impact Payments From the IRS

**This is great information from SSA on stimulus money and how to obtain it if it was not received.**

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) issued the third round of Economic Impact Payments (EIP) in April. Most Social Security beneficiaries and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients should have received their EIPs by now. If a person is missing their first or second EIP, they need to file a 2020 tax return with the IRS and claim the 2020 Recovery Rebate Credit (RRC) as soon as possible.



To get any missing first or second EIPs, file a 2020 tax return with the IRS and claim the 2020 Recovery Rebate Credit (RRC) immediately.

People should file the 2020 tax return even if they have no income to report for 2020. When the tax return is processed, the IRS will pay the RRC as a tax refund. The IRS will send any additional third EIP amount owed in 2021 separately.

Click below for more details.

[How to claim your payment from the IRS](#)

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## May is Mental Health Awareness Month

### You are NOT Alone. Help is available 24/7:

**NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE**

1-800-273-TALK (8255)

**VETERANS CRISIS LINE**

1-800-273-8255 (PRESS 1) OR TEXT 838255

**CRISIS TEXT LINE** - TEXT NAMI TO 741741

**DISASTER DISTRESS HELPLINE** - 1-800-985-5990

**THE TREVOR PROJECT** - HOTLINE FOR LGBTQ YOUTH.

CALL 1-866-488-7386 OR TEXT START TO 678-678

**TRANS LIFELINE** - 1-877-565-8860

PEER SUPPORT HOTLINE RUN BY AND FOR TRANS PEOPLE - AVAILABLE 10AM-4AM EST.

TO CONNECT WITH **NON-CRISIS** RESOURCES & SUPPORT IN THE GRANITE STATE, CONTACT NAMI NH'S INFO & RESOURCE LINE AT [INFO@NAMINH.ORG](mailto:INFO@NAMINH.ORG) OR 1-800-242-6264 (PRESS 4).



**NAMI** New Hampshire

Like mental illness and suicide, NAMI New Hampshire is nonpartisan. They support policies that help people with mental health conditions and their families, and collaborate with diverse stakeholders on shared goals to improve the lives of individuals affected by mental illness and suicide.

If you or someone you know is struggling emotionally, please reach out and get support:

[National Alliance on Mental Illness Hotlines](#)

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