



The Moore Center

Family Support Advisory Council

Families Serving Families

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Information about the Government Shutdown



Many of you have questions and concerns about the impact of the Government shutdown on the services you and your loved ones receive, so we wanted to share the information we have received from our state and federal partners. From our friends at ANCOR.org: "As we've long anticipated, the federal government officially entered a shutdown this morning (10/1/25). Although government shutdowns typically disrupt many important services that are funded and administered by the federal government, the good news for now is that community providers are unlikely to see any immediate disruption in the delivery of Medicaid-funded services. Likewise, there should be no delays in Medicaid payments from CMS assuming the shutdown does not extend beyond the end of this year. Nevertheless, we are not fully in the clear, and we may feel some indirect impacts, especially if the shutdown is prolonged". *ANCOR is an on-line community of providers for people with disabilities and a good resource for national policy relative to disability-related issues.*

Jessica Gorton, the NH Bureau of Developmental Services Chief, echoed [ANCOR's](http://ANCOR.org) encouraging words when she said, 'having seen the Governor's press release, they have looked closely at the impacts the shutdown will have on the current state systems and it appears to remain "business as usual" for the next 30-60-90 day timeframe. They are comfortable that we have been through this before on a few occasions and understand how to manage it.'

As we get new information about potential impacts, we will keep you informed. We recognize that uncertainty is stressful, but we are optimistic that there will not be a disruption in the services you depend on.

2025 Advocate NH Conference





Register today!

Join us in the fall for the 2025 Advocate NH Conference: Let it Grow!

Scan the QR code to register:

Or visit: ablenh.org/advocate-nh-2025/

When:
October 17, 2025
Doors open: 8:30 AM
Walk-ins welcome!

Where:
Granite State Room (second floor)
UNH Memorial Union Building
83 Main St, Durham, NH 03824



Event Schedule

- 9:00 AM-9:25 AM**
 - Registration, Welcome Coffee, and Continental Breakfast
- 9:30 AM-9:45 AM**
 - Opening Remarks with ABLE NH
- 9:45 AM-10:15 AM**
 - Keynote, "Jill's Journey," **Jill Libby**
- 10:25 AM-11:55 AM**
 - Breakout Sessions:
 - That's Advocacy, Baby with **ABLE NH** and **People First**
 - Be Your Authentic Self with **Raymond Hojier Rebello**
 - Using Media For Your Advocacy Goals with **Jules Good** and **Colin Booth**
- 12:00 PM-12:45 PM**
 - Lunch and Open Mic
- 12:45 PM-1:15 PM**
 - Supported Decision Making with **Deborah Opramolla**
- 1:15 PM-2:00 PM**
 - Second Keynote, "Moments that Matter: Growing Advocacy for AT in Real Time" with **ATinNH**
- 2:10 PM-3:10 PM**
 - Art Activity with **People First**
- 3:15 PM-4:15 PM**
 - Panel: Intergenerational Dialogue with **Amy Frechette, Bodhi Bhattarai, Donovan Guerrero, Nick Petersen** and **Leah Stagnone**. Moderated by **Sarah Georges**
- 4:15 PM-5:00 PM**
 - Networking and Time to Visit Exhibitor Tables







Save the Date! February 13th is the ☐Night to Shine☐, a prom experience centered around celebrating individuals with special needs, hosted at the **Manchester Outpost** in partnership with the **Tim Tebow Foundation**. This joyful night will be filled with love, laughter, and dancing as our honored guests experience a red-carpet entrance♥, are crowned kings and queens ☐, and much more. We can't wait to create lasting memories and share God's love in an extraordinary way.

☐ **February 13th**

Registration is now open!


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19th Annual NH Caregiver's Conference


The Coalition of Caring Planning Committee is pleased to announce.....

**The 19th ANNUAL NEW HAMPSHIRE
CAREGIVER'S CONFERENCE**

Caregiver's Conference * November 7, 2025




Strength, Hope, and Nobility



Keynote Speaker: Annie Kuster
Member of Congress 2013-2025

The Last Dance: Facing Alzheimer's with Love and Laughter

**Friday, November 7, 2025
8:00 AM to 4:00 PM**



Courtyard Marriott/Grappone Conference Center
Concord, New Hampshire
www.coalitionofcaring.org
Online Registration: <https://p2p.onecause.com/19acc>

Mark your calendars for the upcoming Family Support Conference!

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**2026 NEW HAMPSHIRE
FAMILY SUPPORT CONFERENCE**



Concord, NH

Whether you're a parent, grandparent, caregiver, or professional, we know how important the early years are—and how overwhelming it can sometimes feel when you're just starting your journey. There's a lot of information coming your way, and we hope this issue helps make things a little easier to navigate.

Inside, you'll find helpful tools, inspiring stories, and many resources. We're highlighting two exciting ways that families can get involved in shaping how early childhood programs and systems work in New Hampshire.

At the heart of all we do is a deep commitment to supporting families, children, and the professionals who work with them. If you ever have a question, need help finding resources, or just want to talk something through, please remember that you can call us anytime. Our support is always free and confidential. We're here for you—every step of the way.

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