

NEW JERSEY SELF-ADVOCACY PROJECT



CELEBRATING DD AWARENESS MONTH

ACTION ALERTS & ADVOCACY CAMPAIGNS

STAY HEALTHY AT HOME WEBINAR SERIES MARCH 1, 2022 FROM 2 - 3 PM

INTRODUCTION



- Erin Smithers, Assistant Director of the <u>New Jersey Self-Advocacy</u>
 <u>Project (NJSAP)</u>
- NJSAP has been a Division-funded program of The Arc of New Jersey since 1983
- NJSAP supports the state's largest network of individual self-advocates and self-advocacy groups
- NJSAP provides comprehensive training and resources to selfadvocates, Direct Support
 Professionals, and agency personnel

TODAY, WE WILL DISCUSS:

• Advocacy in action!

• Testimony and its role in the legislative process

 How to participate in online advocacy campaigns and respond to Action Alerts



WHAT IS ADVOCACY?



SPEAKING UP

WORKING FOR
POSITIVE CHANGES

CAN BE DONE ON OUR OWN BEHALF OR ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON OR GROUP

GET INVOLVED

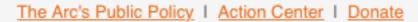
- Seek out organizations that align with your interests and personal beliefs
 - Sign up for email lists
 - Follow on social media
- Participate in the Action Alerts, advocacy campaigns, and (when it's safe to do so) in-person events
- Share, like, and spread information from reputable advocacy organizations











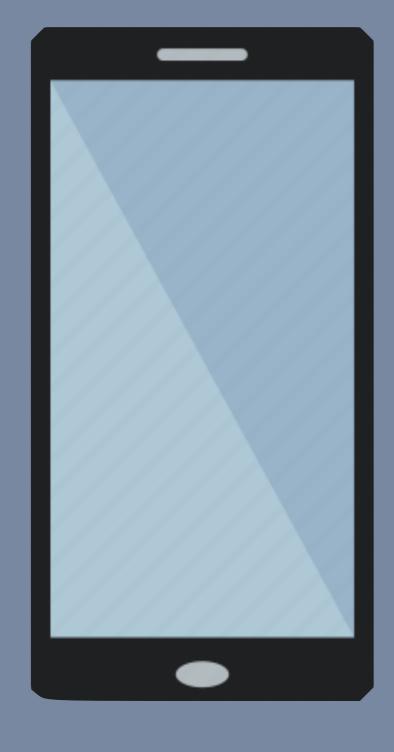


It's Time for the Senate to Act!

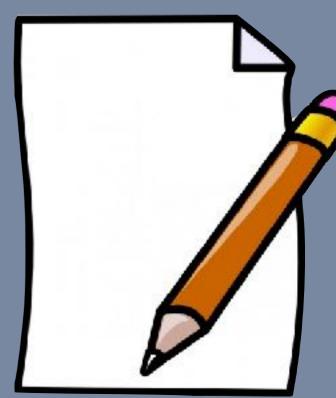
#WeAreEssential: Tell Congress to Include the Disability Community in COVID-19 Relief Bills

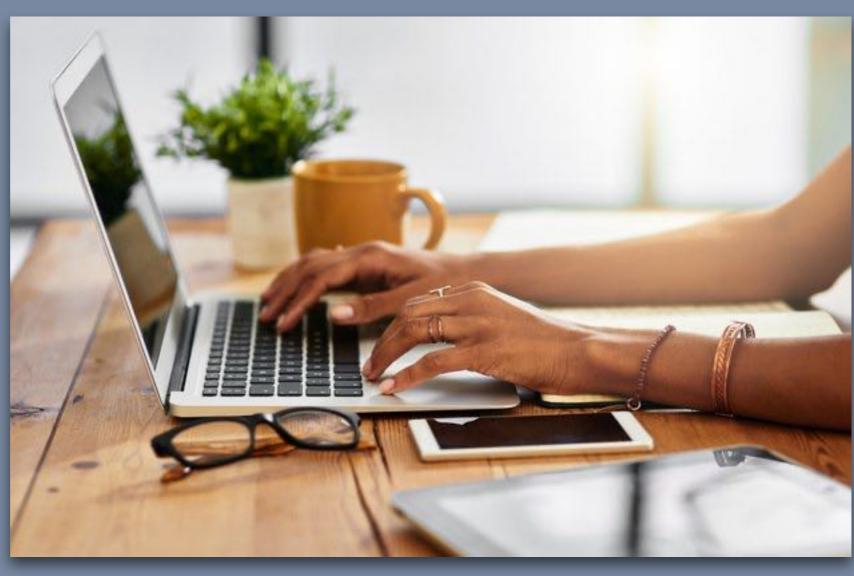
TAKE ACTION NOW

WAYS TO ADVOCATE











POWER IN NUMBERS!





Questions?

Comments?



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- NJSAP Website: http://www.njselfadvocacyproject.org

RESOURCES FROM WEBINAR RECORDED ON JULY 28, 2020

New Jersey Self-Advocacy Project: http://njselfadvocacyproject.org

"Ready to Poll: What You Need to Know to Cast Your Vote": https://www.youtube.com/watch?

v=7vBqkT0EAt0&feature=youtu.be

New Jersey Citizen Action: https://njcitizenaction.org

The Arc of the US Action Center: https://p2a.co/IRPDZ5C?

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Policy and Advocacy: https://thearc.org/policy-advocacy/

New Jersey Division of Elections: https://www.state.nj.us/state/elections/voter-registration.shtml

New Jersey Legislature: https://www.njleg.state.nj.us/members/legsearch.asp

Search by municipality: https://www.njleg.state.nj.us/districts/municipalities.asp

Search by name of representative: https://www.njleg.state.nj.us/members/abcroster.asp

Search by Legislative District: https://www.njleg.state.nj.us/districts/districtnumbers.asp

Interactive map of Legislative Districts: https://www.njleg.state.nj.us/districts/njmap210.html

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