Developmental Disabilities, Autism, and Family Support Task Force
Annual Report 2019

Brief Task Force Description:

The Developmental Disabilities, Autism, and Family Support Task Force advocates for federal public policies that directly relate to individuals with developmental disabilities, autism spectrum disorders, family supports and the prevention of child abuse and neglect. These include, but are not limited to, the Developmental Disabilities Act, Autism CARES Act, Lifespan Respite Care Act, National Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act.

Top three issues the Task Force worked on in 2019. Issue 1:

Reauthorization of the Autism CARES Act

Top three issues the Task Force worked on in 2019. Issue 2:

Reauthorization of the Lifespan Respite Act

Top three issues the Task Force worked on in 2019. Issue 3:

Appropriations

Top three issues the Task Force anticipates working on in 2020. Issue 1:

Caregiving issues, including RAISE Act implementation, Lifespan Respite reauthorization, and expansion of family and medical leave
Top three issues the Task Force anticipates working on in 2020. Issue 2:
Appropriations

Top three issues the Task Force anticipates working on in 2020. Issue 3:
Reauthorization of the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act

Task Force Meeting Day:

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Task Force Meeting Time:

2:00 pm

Task Force Co-Chairs (list for 2020 if already known, 2019 if not).

- Annie Acosta, The Arc
- Samantha Crane, Autistic Self Advocacy Network
- Jill Kagan, National Respite Coalition
- Angela Lello, Autism Speaks
- Kim Musheno, Autism Society of America
- Erin Prangley, National Association of Councils on Developmental Disabilities