According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, youth suicide rates have increased 56% since 2006. For more information and resources, consider attending a webinar and reading the article titled "Ensuring Children's Access to Care Using Telehealth in Medicaid During COVID-19." The webinar will take place on Tuesday, September 22, from 11 to 11:30 a.m. Pacific Time. The article discusses the need for continued access to telehealth services and provides insights into the challenges and opportunities for pediatric providers during the pandemic.

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The University of Kentucky has developed a curriculum to give young people the tools they need to navigate any ableism and stigma they may experience. This curriculum is designed to empower youth and families to advocate for their rights and needs. The program also emphasizes the importance of building a supportive community and finding allies who can provide guidance and resources.

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In Brief:
- Webinar: Improving Hospital Discharge Care for Children with Special Health Care Needs through Performance Management and Electronic Health Record Integration (9/18, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.)
- Children's Services Coalition of Los Angeles: Bill Would Reverse 'Discriminatory' Policy for Children with Disabilities (9/23)
- CMS Announces $500 Million Program for Gaps in Care for People with Disabilities (9/22)
- CDC: Children with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Often Excluded as Potential Recipients of Organ Transplants (9/23)
- National Health Law Program: Department of Health and Human Services Weighs in on OBRA '90 Implementation (9/23)
- National Policy: Letters of Inquiry for the Foundation's Next Grant Cycle Will Be Accepted Until October 1 (9/24)