Telehealth allows parents to exempt their children from wearing masks or face shields in the classroom by filling out a form.

In Brief

Tips for navigating the complex DME request process, including consumers' rights and the appeal process.

An updated issue brief from the National Health Law Program, supported by our Foundation, provides a description of current CCS policies regarding durable medical equipment (DME) and supplies. The brief offers a series of advocacy tips for navigating the complex DME request process, including consumers' rights and the appeal process.

Webinar: Helping Families Obtain Durable Medical Equipment and Supplies Through CCS

California Children's Services (CCS) is now available. Speakers address questions about family-centered care, pediatric patient care, and the future of telehealth.

Phone: 888-382-1515
Email: info@calchildrens.org

Who should attend:

Health care providers, payers, advocates, and policymakers.

Cost:

Free

For more information, visit: HelpforCare.org

Catalyst Center support, the National Academy for State Health Policy conducted a 50-state scan of medical necessity definitions used by state Medicaid programs for their EPSDT benefit. This resource presents definitions that payers can change how they pay for health care to advance health equity, the roadblocks to doing so, and lessons learned from early efforts.

The Arc's National Convention Set for New Orleans

For The Arc's National Convention, scheduled for September 27-29 in New Orleans. Topics to be addressed include employment, education, advocacy, housing, criminal justice, and more.

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Healthy New Orleans Webinar Series to Focus on Advancing Clinical Care of Children with Medical Complexity and Neurodisability

August 26, 2021

The first session will provide an overview of topics to be covered:

- Measures

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California’s Battle over Schools and COVID Shifts to Masks in Class this Fall – from The Mercury News

Parents of High-Risk Students Face Tough Decisions Amid Delta Surge

Disney Making Changes to Disability Access at Theme Parks

Opinion: Children with Disabilities Need Sex Ed Too

NY Times, 8/24/21

We’d like to hear from you: Let us know what’s happening with your organization or family. Email newsletter assistant editor Ali Rivera at Ali.Rivera@lpfch.org, or contact newsletter editor Eileen Walsh at Eileen.Walsh@lpfch.org.

Resources

The California Advocacy Network for Children with Special Health Care Needs is a collaborative organized by the Lucile Packard Foundation for Children's Health. Through grantmaking, advocacy, and communications, the Foundation promotes a system of care that improves the lives of children with special health care needs through the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) benefit. With Medicaid programs are required to provide Medicaid enrollees under age 21 with comprehensive and preventive health care services through the EPSDT benefit. With school-based health care programs, many states have programs to improve access to medical services for children who need them, and school-based health care programs can play a vital role in addressing the needs of these children.

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