Congress continues to consider the Better Care Better Jobs Act, which includes major investments in home- and community-based services (HCBS) and closes a Medicaid coverage gap. These programs allow people with special health care needs to remain at home and in their communities. The National Health Law Program (NHeLP) is urging support for these federal initiatives and efforts to close gaps in Medicaid coverage, which is important for families of children with disabilities. In a letter to Congress, the organization and a coalition of state health law organizations urged lawmakers to support these programs.

The American Association of People with Disabilities offers summer internship opportunities in Washington, DC, for college and post-grad students with disabilities. In 2022 a virtual option is available.

The Association of Maternal and Child Health Programs (AMCHP) annual conference is scheduled for March 5-8, 2022, in New Orleans. The conference, which focuses primarily on adults, will include some pediatric sessions, including one that features Family Engagement & Partnerships – Guiding Principles and Values.

The American Academy of Pediatrics collaborated with other organizations on a Family Snapshot Survey that asked about how families' financial, educational, and relational determinants of health to advance equity.

The Impact of the Pandemic on Households with CYSHCN has released a report titled Voices' Family Engagement in Systems Assessment Tool. Fee.笛

A study published in Pediatrics compares comprehensive care that included telemedicine with comprehensive care in a medical setting, serious illnesses, other adverse outcomes, and health care costs for this population of children.

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 and their families.

The Education Department will erase $5.8 billion in loans for borrowers with disabilities.

Parents want more financial counseling about kids' hospitalization costs, study finds. Medicaid impact on the health care costs of children with special health care needs.

For Parents of Disabled Children, School Mask Wars Are Particularly Wrenching – from Pandemic Leaves Families of Children in Special Ed Feeling Left Behind.