AUCD Network Call re: COVID-19

February 11, 2021, 4:00 pm eastern

Agenda

1. **Federal Update (John)**
2. Federal updates
   * 1. [President Biden Announces Members of the Biden-Harris Administration COVID-19 Health Equity Task Force](https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/press-briefings/2021/02/10/president-biden-announces-members-of-the-biden-harris-administration-covid-19-health-equity-task-force/)
     2. CDC is conducting jurisdictional interviews/listening sessions to get a better sense of vaccine challenges, successes, and needs from CDC. Should you, your partners, or local self-advocates want to be involved in such sessions, please contact Lisa Wiggins at [lwiggins@cdc.org](mailto:lwiggins@cdc.org).
3. **Update on Federal legislative action (What has passed, what is coming, what we are/should we be advocating.) (Rylin)**
4. **Resource and solution sharing from network (Dawn)**
5. Discussion questions for the group:
6. Requests have come in regarding plain language information for people with disabilities and families to understand what to expect and how to plan for reactions to a COVID vaccine (i.e., what to ask at the time of vaccination, common reactions, when to call the doctor, etc.).
   1. **Has anyone seen or created a plain language fact sheet or other resource addressing this?**
7. Developmental pediatricians continue to be challenged in how to conduct developmental assessments via telehealth.
   1. **We addressed this topic a few months back, and wonder if new information and/or approaches have been identified as effective since then?**
8. Discussion topics from network

1. **Highlighted resources (all in Dropbox for AUCD COVID Resource Library) (Dawn)**
   1. From Georgia Advocacy Office (GAO) and created by Center for Leadership in Disability:
      1. [Overview of Supported Decision Making vs. Guardianship](https://ddi.wayne.edu/aucd/sdm4.png)
      2. [Financial and Philosophical Benefits of Supported Decision-Making](https://ddi.wayne.edu/aucd/sdm_benefits_4.png)
   2. [National COVID-19 Resiliency Network (NCRN) Website](https://ncrn.msm.edu/s/?language=en_US&targetlanguage=en_US)
      1. Provides location-based recommendations on where community members can get a COVID-19 test, fill prescriptions, and get a COVID-19 vaccine when distribution increases in the coming months.
         1. [Symptom Checker](https://ncrn.msm.edu/s/?language=en_US&targetlanguage=en_US) (pop up from NCRN Website)
         2. [COVID-19 Risk in My Area](https://ncrn.msm.edu/s/covid-19-resources?defaultFieldValues=pageName&language=en_US)
         3. [Find Testing Resources](https://ncrn.msm.edu/s/covid-19-resources?defaultFieldValues=pageName&language=en_US)
   3. [Practical Tool for Healthcare Providers: Putting Supported Decision Making in Action for Medical Professionals](https://ddi.wayne.edu/aucd/supported-decision-making-manual-for-medical-professionals.pdf) from The South Carolina Supported Decision Making Project (able South Carolina and South Carolina Developmental Disabilities Council)
   4. [Supported Decision Making in Health Care & Medical Treatment Decisions video](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qi07_WriG60&feature=youtu.be) from the National Disability Rights Network
   5. From the CDC:
      1. [COVID Data Tracker](https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#datatracker-home)
      2. [CDC’s Home for COVID-19 Data: COVID Data Tracker (video)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9am8TrBHXG0)
      3. [What People with Disabilities and Care Providers Needs to Know About the COVID-19 Vaccine](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/recommendations/disabilities.html)
      4. [COVID-19 Toolkit for Pregnant People and New Parents](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/communication/toolkits/pregnant-people-and-new-parents.html?ACSTrackingID=USCDC_1054-DM48361&ACSTrackingLabel=NCBDDD%20Partner%20Alert%20-%202.4.2021&deliveryName=USCDC_1054-DM48361)
   6. [COVID-19 Vaccine Fact Sheet](https://autisticadvocacy.org/resources/covid-pl/vaccine/?emci=42aa94d8-4e66-eb11-9889-00155d43c992&emdi=a7e2e362-6166-eb11-9889-00155d43c992&ceid=14355419) from Autistic Self Advocacy Network (ASAN)
      1. [Easy Read version](https://autisticadvocacy.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/COVID-Vaccine-Fact-Sheet-ER.pdf)
      2. [Plain Language version](https://autisticadvocacy.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/COVID-Vaccine-Fact-Sheet-PL.pdf)
   7. From Mathematica:
      1. [New Evidence for Safely Reopening K-12 Schools: Testing Can Reduce Infections and Increase Confidence](https://www.mathematica.org/news/research-supported-by-the-rockefeller-foundation-strengthens-the-evidence-base-for-reopening-k-12?utm_source=acoustic&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=COVID-19%20&utm_content=COVID-19%20Testing%20020421%20(1))
      2. [Solving the COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Crisis: The Role of Behavioral Health Providers](https://www.mathematica.org/news/solving-the-covid-19-vaccine-distribution-crisis-the-role-of-behavioral-health-providers?utm_source=acoustic&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=covid-19&utm_content=Vaccine%20Uptake%20020221%20(1))
   8. [COVID-19 Vaccine Prioritization Dashboard](https://disabilityhealth.jhu.edu/vaccine/) from Johns Hopkins University Disability Health Research Center
   9. [COVID-19 Vaccine Frequently Asked Questions](https://www.drsforamerica.org/covid-vaccine-toolkit/faqs/) from Doctors for America
   10. [Building COVID-19 Vaccine Confidence](https://www.nap.edu/resource/26068/interactive/index.html) from The National Academics of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine
   11. [Prioritizing COVID-19 vaccinations for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities](https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S2589537021000298) (featured in EClinicalMedicine)
   12. [National Council on Disability (NCD) letter to National Governors Association (NGA) re: vaccine allocation](https://ncd.gov/publications/2021/ncd-letter-nga-re-vaccine-allocation)
   13. [“The doctor will see you now”: Direct support professionals’ perspectives on supporting adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities accessing health care during COVID-19](https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1936657421000078) (featured in Disability Health Journal)
   14. [New Analysis of COVID-19 Mortality Risk for Californians with Disabilities Under Age 65](https://dredf.org/2021/02/01/new-analysis-of-covid-19-mortality-risk-for-californians-with-disabilities-under-age-65/) from the Disability Rights Education & Defense Fund (DREDF)
   15. [Technology Access During COVID-19: State Aging and Disabilities Initiatives from](https://ddi.wayne.edu/aucd/technology_access_during_covid-19_final_02-2021002_.pdf) Advancing States
   16. [The Pandemic’s Effect on the Economy and Workers](https://www.ncsl.org/research/labor-and-employment/the-pandemic-s-effect-on-the-economy-and-workers637463008.aspx?utm_source=govdelivery&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=ODEP_Newsletter_2-5-21) from The National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL)
   17. [Addressing Social Needs Amid the COVID-19 Pandemic: A Survey of Dual Eligible Special Needs Plans](https://www.chcs.org/dual-eligible-special-needs-plans-addressing-enrollees-social-determinant-of-health-needs-related-to-the-covid-19-pandemic/?utm_source=CHCS+Email+Updates&amp;utm_campaign=f97dede2be-ACAP+Survey+blog+01/27/21&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_term=0_bbced451bf-f97dede2be-152147633) from the Center for Health Care Strategies (CHCS)
   18. [COVID-19: Webinar Series](https://www.gotostage.com/channel/nma?utm_campaign=fyi_newsletter&amp;utm_medium=email&amp;utm_source=govdelivery) archive from National Medical Association
   19. Upcoming webinars/events:
       1. [The Needle Anxiety Program at UCLA](https://www.aucd.org/template/event.cfm?event_id=8726&id=379&parent=379) – Tuesday, February 16, 2021, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. ET
       2. [Unfair and Unequal: COVID-19 and People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities](https://brandeis.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_dBX2hmjBQl69URYu4KgFcA) – Monday, February 22, 2021, 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. ET
       3. [National Forum on COVID-19 Vaccine from the CDC](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/forum/about.html?ACSTrackingID=USCDC_2147-DM49030&ACSTrackingLabel=National%20Forum%20on%20COVID-19%20Vaccine&deliveryName=USCDC_2147-DM49030) – Monday, February 22, Tuesday, February 23, and Wednesday, February 24, 2021
       4. Prepared4All monthly meetings
          1. [About Prepared4All](https://nationalcenterdph.org/our-focus-areas/prepared4all/)
          2. [Register for Prepared4All monthly meeting](https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0scOCqqz0vH9ZFpWR92X2cFhyZJV2SJ4bD)