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# Medically Fragile Newsletter



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# Guardianship 101



PRESENTED BY THE NMDDC OFFICE OF GUARDIANSHIP



The Developmental Disabilities Council's (DDC) Office of Guardianship (OOG) is a statewide publicly funded program for New Mexican adults who need a Guardian, are income eligible, and are alleged to be incapacitated.

This presentation is an overview of the NMDDC Office of Guardianship and its services offered.

There are a lot of questions and misinformation circling around in the disability community. This presentation should clear up any misinformation and answer the most common question you have regarding starting the guardianship process.

Staff of Office of Guardianship will be the presenters.



Please register for this event.

Wednesday  
January 18 2023

04:00 – 05:00 pm

Zoom:

When: Jan 18, 2023 04:00 PM  
Mountain Time (US and  
Canada)

Register in advance for this  
meeting:  
[https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAqdOiorjkuG90aDboiSXwDjoAqvUqwt0mU](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/90aDboiSXwDjoAqvUqwt0mU)



## Guardianship 101

Wednesday January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Click on link below -Must register join  
webinar

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAqdOiorjkuG90aDboiSXwDjoAqvUqwt0mU>

## Equipment and Supplies

We have some different medical equipment and supplies available from families that no longer have a need for them. A list has been sent out via email, if you did not receive this list please make sure that you are receiving emails from Nichole and that you haven't blocked emails from the CDD. If you need the list re sent to you or you have items that you would like to pass along to other families, please email Nichole at: [nrajala@salud.unm.edu](mailto:nrajala@salud.unm.edu)

## Weaving Colors: AUTISM & THE NATIVE COMMUNITY

A presentation series for families dedicated to discussing important topics on autism and how they are viewed and addressed in the native culture.

Join us Wed. January 18th 2022  
1 - 2:30pm MST

### Record Keeping for IEP's: Introducing the Digital Age in Native communities

This series will review the importance of educational record keeping, the use of digital documentation, on-line meetings, and challenges some native communities face when technology is not available.

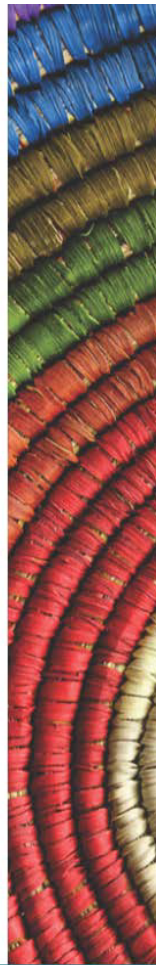
Presenter: Education for Parents of  
Indian Children with Special Needs



To register, please scan the QR code or  
[Click Here](#)



[HSC-AutismPrograms@salud.unm.edu](mailto:HSC-AutismPrograms@salud.unm.edu)



## Get Free at-home Covid-19 tests

Every U.S. household is eligible to order 4 free at-home Covid-19 tests.

Click on the link to order:

<https://special.usps.com/testkits>

Need help placing an order for your at-home tests? Call [1-800-232-0233](tel:1-800-232-0233) (TTY [1-888-720-7489](tel:1-888-720-7489)).

Todos los hogares en los EE. UU. pueden solicitar gratuitamente 4 pruebas de COVID-19 que pueden hacerse en casa.

<https://special.usps.com/testkits>

¿Necesita ayuda para hacer un pedido de pruebas caseras?  
Llame al [1-800-232-0233](tel:1-800-232-0233) (TTY [1-888-720-7489](tel:1-888-720-7489)).

The Autism Programs at the UNM Center for Development & Disability is now offering presentations for Native-American families. The series, "Weaving Colors" will be presented the third Wednesday of each month from 1:00-2:30 PM (MT) in webinar format.

Date: Wednesday, January 18, 2023 from 1:00-2:30 pm (MT)

Title of Session: Record Keeping for IEP's: Introducing the Digital Age in Native To register for the presentation, click on the link below:

[https://reg.abcsignup.com/reg/event\\_page.aspx?ek=0033-0021-8e2d419c43a244b69bfefa9663c666e6](https://reg.abcsignup.com/reg/event_page.aspx?ek=0033-0021-8e2d419c43a244b69bfefa9663c666e6)

## Pre-legislative-session forum, Saturday, January 14

January 14, 2023, 9:00am – 3:30pm, CNM Workforce Training Center in Albuquerque

Join us at the CNM Workforce Training Center in Albuquerque for The Disability Coalition's annual pre-legislative-session forum. The event will include a morning plenary and breakout sessions in the afternoon. The forum is a great opportunity to learn about issues that will be coming up in the 2023 session of the New Mexico Legislature and to network with other members of the disability community.

(Check back for information on topics and speakers as the program is developed.)

Registration open now [Click Here](#)

For more information:

<https://www.arcnm.org/drad-2023/>

### DISABILITY RIGHTS AWARENESS DAYS AT THE ROUNDHOUSE

February 8, 2023 | 8:00am – 2:00pm, New Mexico State Capitol in Santa Fe

And stay tuned for information on **Disability Rights Awareness Day at the Roundhouse!**

We're expecting the Capitol to be open to the public for group activities this year so we can gather in person as we have in the past but haven't been able to do for the past couple of years. That could change if there's a COVID surge, but for now, we're scheduled for DRAD at the Roundhouse on **Wednesday, February 8** – save the date! A special event will take place from 11:00am – 12:00pm in the Rotunda. For more information, please call The Arc at 505-883-4630.



Elevate The Spectrum

Invites You To:

## Autism Day at the Legislator

Join us January 26th 2023 in Santa Fe  
Capital Building - West Hall and Room 326

Families are encouraged to come and speak with providers and legislators about the issues surrounding autism in New Mexico.

#### Important Topics:

- Improving Restraint and Seclusion laws.
- Increasing pay for service providers.
- Increasing services and quality of care for: RTCs, groups homes for adults and teens, and respite.
- Fully funding the Special Education Ombud Office.
- Funding programs to cut the wait time for autism evaluations for kids and adults.

For more information, contact us at  
[Policy@ElevateTheSpectrum.org](mailto:Policy@ElevateTheSpectrum.org)





## *Hi Raena!*

There aren't enough words to explain how amazing Raena is. Even in the darkest of times she finds reasons to be happy. She has a smile that can light up a room! To me she truly is an inspiration there's nothing in this world that can knock her down. She loves to play and watch any Disney movie. She enjoys school and engaging with her teacher. Raena loves to explore new foods and drinks and is now trying to feed herself with a spoon. There's nothing this girl can't do when she puts her mind to it!



# Reporting Abuse, neglect, or Exploitation (ANE)

## REPORTING ABUSE, NEGLECT, OR EXPLOITATION (ANE) Notification to Family Acknowledgment Form

As your case management agency, it is our responsibility to inform you, as an individual or you as a parent/legal guardian of someone who is receiving services through the Medically Fragile Case Management Program (MFCMP), about reporting abuse, neglect, or exploitation. According to New Mexico law, ANYONE who suspects or has knowledge of abuse, neglect, or exploitation must report it. Please report any suspected cases to the appropriate number below:

**Medically Fragile Waiver** (birth up to lifespan)-The report must be done **immediately** to DHI.

**Medically Fragile Non-Waiver EPSDT Program** - (birth through 21 years) - The report must be done **immediately** to CYFD (birth up to 18 years), APS (18 years – 21 years)

<b>Medically Fragile Waiver – (MFW)</b> NM Dept of Health – DHI - all ages	1-800-445-6242 – lines open 24/7
<b>Medically Fragile Non-Waiver EPSDT Program (MFE)</b> CYFD (aka Statewide Central Intake/SCI) Hotline Birth up to 18 years	1-855-333-SAFE [7233] or 1-800-797-3260 Cell phone -#SAFE lines open 24/7.
<b>Medically Fragile Non-Waiver EPSDT Program (MFE)</b> Adult Protective Services (APS) 18 years and older	1-866-654-3219 – lines open 24/7

*When you call the numbers above, you can remain anonymous and all information is kept confidential.*

