

Families in Jeopardy...AGAIN!

Threats to Services for Children & Their Families in the Proposed 2020 Federal Budget

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Ensuring a place at the table for every family!

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Welcome to National PLACE!

Mission

To educate and empower families and family-led organizations and support them to advocate for enhanced parent involvement and leadership in education, health and human services decision-making with regard to services for children and families.

Motto

Advocating to ensure the parents' PLACE at decision-making tables

Public Policy Advocacy for Social Change

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed [people] can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.”

Margaret Mead



The National Context

Threats to Children & Families Jeopardy!

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EDUCATION

\$100 Answer



US Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos

\$100 Question

Who said:

“We had to make some difficult decisions with this budget” when supporting a 26% cut to special education grants to states & cuts affecting programs for the deaf & blind without consulting the families whose children are the intended beneficiaries?

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EDUCATION

\$200 Answer

Elimination of funding for:

- Statewide Family Engagement Centers,
- 21st Century Community Learning Centers,
- comprehensive literacy development grants, and
- Regional Educational Labs

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\$200 Question

What proposals in the President's budget will reduce support for parent-school engagement?

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EDUCATION

\$300 Answer

All of them!

- FREE Appropriate Public Education in LRE
- Discipline protections
- **Parents' rights to be part of decision-making**
- Due process procedures
- Progress reports

You name it, you lose it!

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\$300 Question

What rights would students with disabilities lose in the voucher-like “scholarships” to private schools proposed in the President’s budget?

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EDUCATION

\$400 Answer

Betsy DeVos.

“This reduction is similar to last year’s request, and the year before that, as well. I acknowledge that you rejected those recommendations. I also acknowledge that it’s easier to keep spending, to keep saying ‘yes,’ and to keep saddling tomorrow’s generations with today’s growing debt. But, as it’s been said, *the government will ‘run out of other people’s money.’*”

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\$400 Question

Who testified before Congress?

What did she say in support of a \$7.1 billion/10% cut in funding to her own Department while supporting a \$60 million increase in charter school funding?

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EDUCATION

\$500 Answer

- Making it harder for students to complain about sexual harassment under Title IX (input period over)
- Reducing requirements for State Education Agencies and districts to develop understandable report cards that contain all the information parents need to assess their schools (comments due April 29)
- Funding IDEA implementation studies without asking a single question of a parent, student, Parent Center, or other family-led organization (comments due June 14)

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\$500 Question

What are current key proposals of US ED for which they have recently requested or are requesting “input,” and did not consult with parents of intended beneficiaries?

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HEALTH

\$100 Answer

- US Department of Justice (DOJ) asks the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit to invalidate the entire Affordable Care Act (ACA).
- The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) proposes changes to a technical insurance formula that would leave the large majority of people who purchase subsidized marketplace coverage under the Affordable Care Act — at least 7.3 million marketplace consumers — paying higher premiums and lead 100,000 people to drop marketplace coverage each year, by the Administration's own estimates

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\$100 Question

What are the two most recent attempts by the Administration to undermine the Affordable Care Act & reduce health coverage for millions of Americans?

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HEALTH

\$200 Answer

- States would not receive funds for every eligible child/family -- 24 million people overall could lose health insurance
- States would no longer be required to provide all medically necessary services or Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis & Treatment
- States could charge unlimited premiums, deductibles, & co-payments
- Medicaid would be cut \$1.5 trillion over 10 years!
- Elimination of all federal Medicaid administration requirements

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\$200 Question

Why would Medicaid block grants be bad for children, especially children with special needs?

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HEALTH

\$300 Answer

- Nearly \$1.5 trillion would be cut from Medicaid over 10 years.
- Medicaid would be turned into a block grant or per-person cap program to start in 2021.
- Funding for the 36 states that expanded Medicaid would end.
- Nationwide work requirements would be instituted -
-causing hundreds of thousands of eligible families and individuals to lose Medicaid coverage.

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\$300 Question

What does funding for Medicaid, the health insurance lifeline for low-income families & families of & people with disabilities look like in the President's budget proposal?

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HEALTH

\$400 Answer

- 37 million children on Medicaid and over 9 million on SCHIP, for a total of 46 million on Medicaid/SCHIP!
 - 40% of US children are enrolled in Medicaid.
 - >60% enrolled in Medicaid & SCHIP
- DECLINE of 500,000 covered children due to Administration policies

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\$400 Question

How many children are covered
by Medicaid in the US?

In what direction is enrollment
going for the 1st time in a
decade?

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HEALTH

\$500 Answer

Medicare spending would be reduced by an estimated \$800 billion over 10 years in the President's proposed budget.

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\$500 Question

How does the President
propose to keep his
campaign promise to protect
Medicare?

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MENTAL HEALTH

\$100 Answer

- Requires insurers to cover essential health benefits including mental health & addiction services
- Strengthened mental health parity requirements
- Requires insurers to cover prevention & health promotion services

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\$100 Question

Why is the Affordable
Care Act important to
mental health
services?

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MENTAL HEALTH

\$200 Answer

- Medicaid is the single most important financing source of mental health services in the U.S., covering nearly 27% of all mental health care in the U.S. and nearly half of the public mental health spending, according to SAMHSA.

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\$200 Question

Why are cuts to Medicaid bad for children and adults with mental health challenges?

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MENTAL HEALTH

\$300 Answer

Federal Medicaid payments comprise an average of almost 18% of states' total expenditures

Deep cuts to Medicaid payments would squeeze other essential services in state budgets such as mental health services in schools.

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\$300 Question

Why would cuts to Medicaid be bad for mental health services for students in public schools?

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MENTAL HEALTH

\$400 Answer

- 11.2% of students have mood disorders,
- 8.3% have anxiety disorders, and 10% have behavior disorders
- 7.4% have serious mental illness
- 70% of youth in juvenile justice institutions have a mental illness

Onset for 50% of adult mental health disorders occurs by age 14, and for 75% of adults by age 24

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\$400 Question

How many adolescents in the
US have mental health
challenges?

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MENTAL HEALTH

\$500 Answer

- .7% of US student population is classified with ED
- 1.6% is classified as Other Health Impaired (which includes ADD/ADHD)
- Total of 2.3% of overall US student population

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\$500 Question

What is the rate of emotional disturbance in the US student population?

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EMPLOYMENT & DISABILITY

\$100 Answer

Former Republican Pennsylvania Governor Tom Ride



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\$100 Question

Who said that proposed federal cuts to disability employment programs were “not only unjust but fiscally foolish?”

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EMPLOYMENT & DISABILITY

\$200 Answer

Federal-state Vocational Rehabilitation programs already have lengthy waitlists and extensive delays before eligible individuals receive needed services in many states.

Administration's proposed budget would force deep cuts in this and other vital work and training programs.

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\$200 Question

How would proposed
budget cuts hurt
employment for people
with disabilities?

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EMPLOYMENT & DISABILITY

\$300 Answer

State Councils on Developmental Disabilities, University Centers on Developmental Disabilities, National Institute on Disability, Independent Living and Rehabilitation Research, Independent Living Centers, Office of Disability Employment Policy, Voting Access for People with Disabilities program, State Assistive Technology programs, Family Caregiver Support Services program, Native American Caregiver Support Services program, Traumatic Brain Injury program, Paralysis Resource Center, Limb Loss Resource Center, Gallaudet University, Alzheimer's Disease program, Lifespan Respite Care program, Autism Surveillance program, Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee, Section 811 Housing for Persons with Disabilities, Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, National Institutes for Health

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\$300 Question

What other cuts does the Administration propose that would undermine employment & independent living for people with disabilities?

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EMPLOYMENT

\$400 Answer

By cutting \$84 billion from
Social Security Disability
Insurance

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\$400 Question

How does the
Administration's
proposed budget deal
with workers with
disabilities?

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POVERTY

\$500 Answer

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) (food stamps) program

- Proposed cut of \$17.2 billion (a 22% cut) for 2020, and \$213 billion (a 30% cut) over the next decade.
- It would also implement a “boxed food delivery option” (i.e. boxes of non-perishable prepackaged food which would limit access to fresh fruits and vegetables

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\$500 Question

What proposed changes & cuts to a federal program for low-income people, including people with disabilities, was likened to “Blue Apron” by the White House Budget Director?

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JUSTICE/LEGAL SUPPORT

\$100 Answer

Eliminate it

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\$100 Question

What does the Administration's budget propose to do to Legal Services funding?

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JUSTICE/LEGAL SUPPORT

\$200 Answer

- Disagrees with separation of church and state in schools
- Led a successful Justice Department effort to maintain a ban on people living with HIV entering the United States
- Wrote a report entitled, “The Case for MORE Incarceration” & opposes criminal justice reform
- Supports aggressive anti-immigrant policies, even for those seeking asylum
- Supports intrusive surveillance of Americans

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\$200 Question

What are some of
the major policy
positions of current
Attorney General
Barr?

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JUSTICE/LEGAL SUPPORT

\$300 Answer

After leaving the Department of Justice, Barr joined two amicus curiae (friend of the court) briefs arguing that the Affordable Care Act should be invalidated in its entirety.

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\$300 Question

What public stance has
Attorney General Barr
taken on the Affordable
Care Act?

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JUSTICE/LEGAL SUPPORT

\$400 Answer

He spent years in private practice
defending state governments
accused of drawing congressional
maps deliberately discriminating
against minorities.

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\$400 Question

What is the biggest claim to fame of John Gore, the Acting Director of the Civil Rights Division in the US Attorney General's office?

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JUSTICE/LEGAL SUPPORT

\$500 Answer

Because he heads the Department of Justice,
which enforces:

- The ADA including the right to inclusive child care, public accommodations, Olmstead decision re: community living, etc.
- Voting Rights including accessibility
- Federal hate crimes legislation
- Juvenile Justice & delinquency prevention

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\$500 Question

Why is the US Attorney General important for children, especially children of color & children with disabilities?

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So what can we do?

The Jeopardy facing our nation's children and families is *not a game*

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A large crowd of people, many wearing pink hats, marching down a city street towards the U.S. Capitol building. Many participants are holding signs, including "WOMEN'S MARCH", "WE CAN HAVE CHOSEN THE TIME", and "DON'T CHASE CATHOLICS". The Capitol building is visible in the background.

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Questions? Comments?

- Please ask your questions or share your comments in the question box
- What went well? What could be better?
- How can/will you use this information? With:
 - Staff
 - Families
 - Partners
 - Others?



What went well:



Even better if:

Ensure YOUR place at the table!

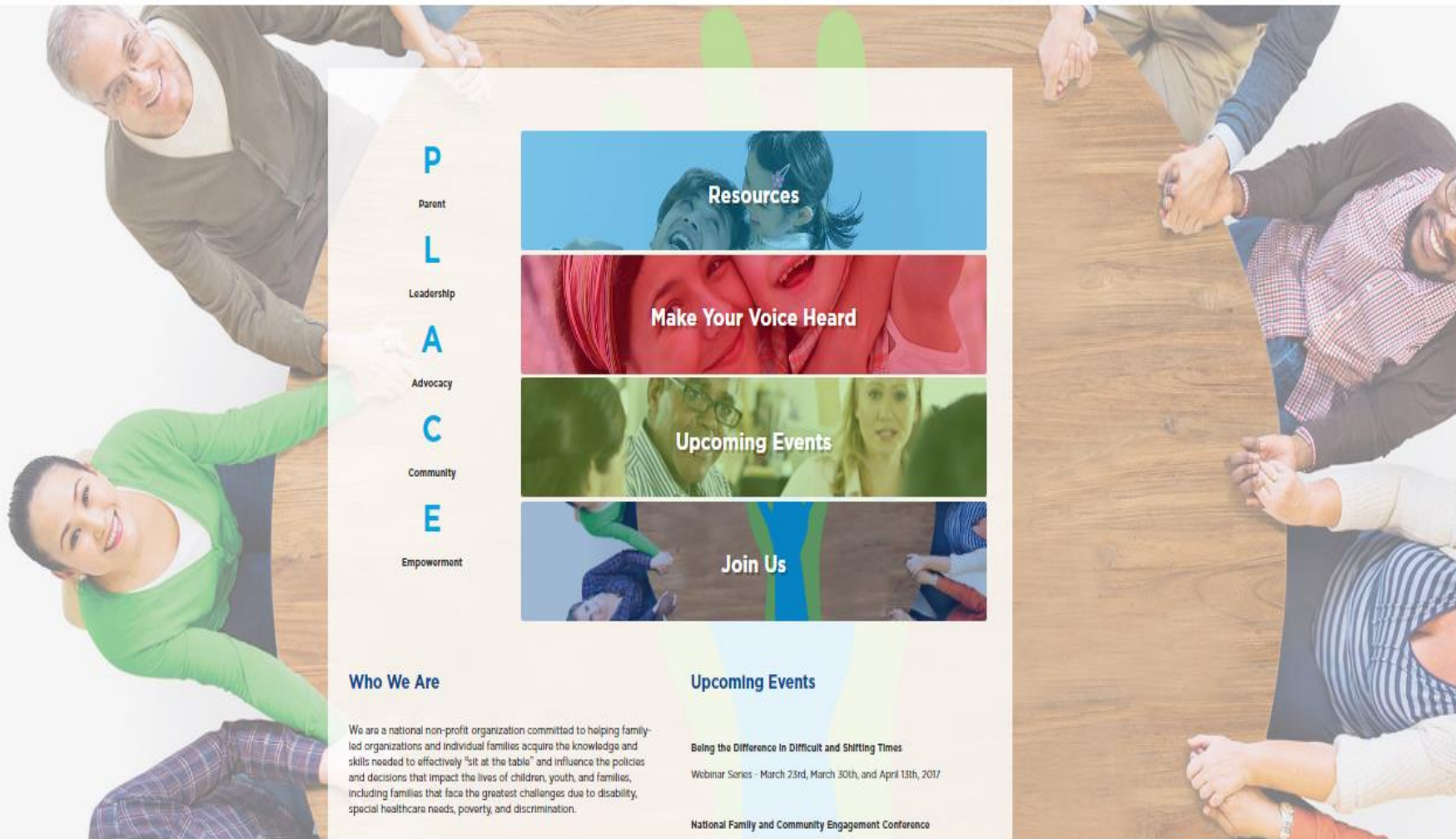
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Who We Are

We are a national non-profit organization committed to helping family-led organizations and individual families acquire the knowledge and skills needed to effectively "sit at the table" and influence the policies and decisions that impact the lives of children, youth, and families, including families that face the greatest challenges due to disability, special healthcare needs, poverty, and discrimination.

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