Advocacy Day on Capitol Hill: Ready, Set, Go (again) to The Hill!!

NFED Family-Driven Advocacy Committee
Wednesday, June 27th 7pm CST
What Will You Learn Tonight?

- Date and Location of Training in DC
- Date and Location of events for Day on The Hill
- States represented and numbers attending
- What is Family and Youth Driven Advocacy?
- How to prepare before your trip to DC
- What items you should and shouldn't bring
- Our “Ask” for Legislative Visits
- Tools on NFED website
- Question and Answer Session
- Contact Information
Date and Location of Training in DC

3 p.m. – 7 p.m. Tuesday July 17th, 2018
Training: Kellogg Conference Hotel at Gallaudet University Center

- Welcome – Mary Fete, NFED Executive Director
- Guest Speaker: Julia Jenkins, EveryLife Foundation
- What are we doing here? - Tiffany Kaszuba, Vice President, Cavarocchi Ruscio Dennis Associates
- Training Overview - Becky Abbott, Co-Chair, NFED Family-Driven Advocacy Committee
- Kid Advocate Training - Aidan Abbott and Allison Steele
- Training - NFED Families
- Dinner, Practice Meetings and Q & A
Date and Location of events for Day on The Hill

7 am  -Breakfast on your own.

8 am  -Meet in the Kellogg Conference Center Lobby. Board Transportation & Receive Schedule.

8:30 am  -Depart Kellogg Conference Center for Capitol Hill Day.

9 am  -Senator Tammy Baldwin speaks to NFED families. (Tentative)

9:30 am  -Meetings on Capitol Hill.

4 pm  -Last appointments for the day (This time will vary for each family.)

Stop by Cannon Office Building before leaving.
NFED has a room available to rest throughout the day. Snacks and drinks also available.

**Location:**
Cannon House Office Building
Room 121 & 122
27 Independence Ave SE

Cafes with full menus available on lower levels of most buildings.

Directly in front of the Capitol South Metro.
What is Family and Youth Driven Advocacy?

- **Family Driven Advocacy Committee:**
  Beth Pond, Becky Abbott, Jennifer Steele, Karl Nelsen, Christine Gottschalk, Julie Claeys, Sean Vora

- **Why is it important?**

- **Reasons why we have been successful.**

- **One family/individual can make a difference.**

- **Youth Advocacy:** Allison Steele & Aidan Abbott

- **Advocacy State Leads: Leaders in their state**

- **States who need an Advocacy State Lead:**
  Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Hawaii, Louisiana, Maine, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nevada, New Jersey, South Dakota, Vermont, and Wyoming.
States Represented and Numbers Attending

**Advocacy State Leads Attending:**

**31 States Represented:**

**Total number of Attendees:** 116 individuals, 47 families
How to prepare before your trip to DC

Advocacy Day Attendees:

- Please prepare your family stories and include the following:
  1. Your family story or background.
  2. Any struggles you have had with insurance.
  3. Why this legislation is important to your family.
  4. A picture of your family or child.
  5. NFED will provide packets for stories and handouts.

Advocacy State Leads:

- Ask families in your state that cannot attend to prepare their family stories and pictures. We will let them know where to send them or who will collect before advocacy day. The state lead will deliver to legislators on Capitol Hill.
What Items You Should and Shouldn't Bring

• Water and snacks
• Individual & unique family stories with contact information
• Picture of family or child
• Bring your children
• Comfortable light clothes and shoes
• Sunscreen & hat if not using tunnels
• Camera or phone to take pictures
• Cooling Devices

Do not bring prohibited items:

https://www.uscp.gov/visiting-capitol-hill/regulations-prohibitions/prohibited-items
Our “Ask” For Legislative Visits

Senate “Ask”

1. ASK 1: We need a Republican Senator to co-sponsor and introduce “Ensuring Lasting Smiles Act” (ELSA) with Senator Baldwin (or)

2. ASK 2: Please support and co-sponsor ELSA with Senator Baldwin (D-WI) and Senator____________ (R-??)

House “Ask”

Please support and co-sponsor ELSA with Congressman Peterson (D-MN) and Congressman Young (R-IA)
Tools on NFED Website

List of Advocacy State Leads:
https://www.nfed.org/get-involved/advocate/

Health Insurance Claims and Teeth 101 Blog:
https://www.nfed.org/blog/health-insurance-claims-teeth-101/

Top 10 Reasons why Kids Should Advocate:
https://www.nfed.org/blog/top-10-reasons-why-kids-should-advocate/

Congenital Anomaly Statutes by State:
Question and Answer Session
Contact Information

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