

Blog Roundup: Home and Community Care/Least Restrictive Environment/"Sole Benefit" SNT Distributions/Hospitals and Family Caregivers

HCBS-A Cost-Effective Method of Providing Care

Home and community-based care is less expensive than nursing home care and has the potential to ease states' Medicaid burden. Read on.

https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/elder_law/2014/05/hcbs-a-cost-effective-method-of-providing-care.html

Does the Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) Work for Your Child?

An inclusive environment isn't always the best educational solution for a student with special needs. Read about parents' rights in advocating for an education that addresses an individual's unique requirements.

https://www.specialneedsnewyork.com/2014/05/does-the-least-restrictive-environment-lre-work-for-your-child/

Serious Consequences for Special Needs Trusts -Social Security's Recent Policy Regarding the "Sole Benefit" Rule

A recent Social Security ruling defines "sole benefit" as it relates to the distribution of funds from a special needs trust (SNT). The ruling affects third party travel and payment for goods and services, with implications for revising some SNTs. Learn more.

https://www.bjflaw.com/firm-news/serious-consequences-for-special-needs-trusts-social-security-s-recent-policy-regarding-the-sole-benefit-rule

Oklahoma Passes First in the Nation "Care Act" Supporting Family Caregivers

A direction-setting state law has been passed that defines hospital responsibilities to a patient's family caregivers. Learn more.

https://lawprofessors.typepad.com/elder_law/2014/05/oklahoma-passes-first-in-the-nation-care-act-supporting-family-caregivers.html

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