



The Advocate

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Advocacy Activities from Late Summer and Early Fall

Across the past few months, NCPEID has been actively engaged Nationally and locally with initiatives that promote the mission of the organization. Nationally, NCPEID has worked as a part of IDEA Full Funding Coalition to sign off on two letters of support for the House and Senate versions of the *Supporting Children with Disabilities during COVID-10 Act (2020)*. Additionally, NCPEID has and continues to advocate for the on-going funding of the I Can Do It! Program. Multiple presentations that highlight the mission and activities of NCPEID have been presented at the Texas Adapted Physical Education (APE) conference, Minnesota Developmental and Adapted Physical Education (DAPE) Conference, and through SHAPE America; others are planned for the upcoming National Adapted Physical Education Conference (NAPEC).

At a more local level, NCPEID has been involved in advocacy initiatives in Colorado, Maine, Texas and South Carolina. NCPEID is supporting local APE teachers as they address challenges in their state and/or local school districts. The Advocacy Committee is examining these challenges and misunderstandings regarding APE in preparation for the development of a support document/white paper for use in APE advocacy.

****Extra Info****

APENS Committee News

The APENS Committee is currently reviewing and revising the 1) APENS website content, including the registration information, 2) the APENS application items, 3) the APENS Criteria for Certification for Higher Education Personnel, and 4) the Recertification Criteria. Goal is to have revisions made and approved so that updates coincide with the January 1, 2021 APENS exam fee increase.