

#122 Katie Beckett/Deeming Waiver Update and Upsetting Abuse Information...

Dearest Advocates:

For those interested: I contacted downtown Medicaid last week and received the following statement regarding centralizing the Katie Beckett/deeming waiver rumor:

"DCH is working with state DFCS to centralize the Katie Beckett application and renewal process. We are waiting on a contract amendment to get this done. We should have it in place by early next year. Until then, please continue to use the DFCS county office for Katie Beckett issues and eligibility."

In my eyes, this is great news. We have been advocating on this issue for MANY years. Having one central group be responsible for the entire process should help families alot! Unfortunately, many times the DFCS County workers do not understand the waiver program and give the wrong information to families. I've been dealing with this issue for many years! Will keep you posted as I hear more!

In addition, I received a very upsetting news clip from CBS today regarding alleged abuse of children with disabilities at Hopewell Middle School. We all need to be aware of awful things that can occur to our children with disabilities and speak up...I pray that the teachers and administration see their error of hiding this abuse. Now you wonder why I am so involved with my son's education and who is with him at all times? Be aware.... We need to stay informed and involved in our children's education at all times!

<http://www.cbsatlanta.com/story/15286066/exclusive-parents-say-fulton-covered-up-student-abuse>

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<http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/prayforjacobmoore> or www.teamjacob.org . To watch Jacob's Cancer Journey video: www.youtube.com/watch?v=2GjPfmIZ76g

For disability information and previous newsletters, please go to www.heidijmoore.com .

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