



## USE YOUR VOICE...BE HEARD...CREATE CHANGE

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### MISSION

Provide people in need of long term supports, either through age or disability, with the information, guidance, support and advocacy they need to remain in their chosen homes and live full, independent lives.

- Respect uniqueness
- Provide person-centered support
- Adapt to changes in environment
- Advocate for full civil rights

### VISION

We envision a day when people with long-term care needs will take their place as full citizens within their communities and have equal opportunities to pursue life, liberty and happiness.



Louise Brassard,, LEND Trainee, Governor  
Chris Sununu, Jennifer Bertrand, LEND Mentor



### POWER OF YOUR VOICE

- Identify issue of concern
- Share opinions with policy makers
- Suggest legislation
- Letter to the Editor



### ADVOCACY- USE YOUR VOICE

- Public Policy Outreach Committee
- Policy Partners
- Legislative Liaison Meetings
- Testify at a Hearing



### MAGNIFY YOUR VOICE

- 1 on 1 meetings with Legislatures
- Public Outreach
- Form Coalitions
- Utilize Social Media

**From:** Kurt.Wuelper@leg.state.nh.us  
**To:** Louise Brassard  
**Subject:** Re: HB 677  
 Louise,  
 Thanks for bringing this to my attention. I agree education... is critical and the policies in HB677 make a lot of sense. I will be voting for HB677 this week

**Policy Partners**  
 Educates, empowers, and partners with families/individuals to find their voice and engage in public policy.  
 "It's all about building relationships" Jennifer Bertrand

### DEMOCRACY – MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD

#### House Bill 677FN

Relative to discipline of students, addressing students' behavioral needs.  
Passed in the House on 1/8/2020

#### House Bill 1707FN

Expanding FCESS program to children under age 3 who are born substance-exposed (NAS or FASD).  
Passed in the House on 2/19/20

#### House Bill 1473

Requiring schools to have a special education parent advisory council (SEPAC).  
Passed in the House on 3/12/20

#### House Bill 1659FN

Relative to patient directed care and patient's rights with regard to end-of-life decisions.  
Referred to Interim Study 3/4/20