Agenda

ADVOCACY, OUTREACH, AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE Thursday, January 7, 2021 12:15 PM - 1:45 PM

Zoom (email <u>kate.larose@vermont.gov</u> for meeting access)

12:15 pm – 12:17 pm Introductions (Sam Liss, Chair)

12:17 pm - 12:18 pm Approval of Agenda (Sam Liss)

12:18 pm - 12:20 pm Open for Public Comment

12:20 pm - 12:22 pm Approval of Minutes (Sam Liss)

Minutes from November 5, 2020

12:22 pm - 1:15 pm Legislative Updates (Group)

Federal Legislation

- 1) Further COVID-19 Legislative Response
- 2) MFP Reauthorization/Extension Act
- 3) National Council on Independent Living (NCIL) Policy Proposals on Childhood Disability Beneficiaries (CBDs) and Eliminating the Termination Age of 65 for Medicaid Buy Ins (MBIs)
- 4) Biden Disability Plan

State Legislation

- 1) 2021 Budget
- 2) First Responders Commission- DAIL/VR Participation
- 3) Monitor Protections for Low-Income/Vulnerable Vermonters
- 4) Bills Being Drafted for Reintroduction:
 - Hearing Aid Insurance Mandate
 - Paid Family Leave
- 5) Legislation On-Hold:
 - Attendant Services Program (ASP)

1:15 pm - 1:20 pm Calendar of Upcoming Events (Group)

1) Olmstead Webinar on Housing: January 26th

1:20 pm - 1:45 pm Other Business (Chair)

- 1) SSA Implementation of Final Rules
- 2) Requested Increase in Withdrawal Rates for Overpayments
- 3) SILC Networking: Youth Transition/Special Education
- 4) Federal Initiatives to Move Employment-Related Benefits from SSA to DOL
- 5) Major Rollout of "Working w/Disability" Project

1:45 pm Adjournment (Chair)