



### INTRODUCTION

The Autism Insurance Resource Center was established in 2011, shortly following the enactment of “An Act Relative to Insurance Coverage for Autism” (aka ARICA), requiring coverage of medically necessary treatment for Autism.

We are a resource for consumers, providers, employers and educators.

- **Online Information and technical assistance by phone/email** on issues related to insurance coverage for autism-related treatments and services.
- **Support** for individuals needing to access coverage.
- **Access to documents**, including legislation, FAQs, agency bulletins, etc.
- **Webinars** on insurance laws and related topics.
- **Focus groups and trainings**

3,708  
Individual  
Calls



2,700  
Presentation  
Attendees



986  
Webinar  
Participants



### REPLICABILITY

The Autism Insurance Resource Center is a proven model for expanding access to treatment. It can be replicated in other states with autism insurance mandates, and the many states that are beginning to include coverage for autism treatments in their Medicaid Programs.

### INFLUENCING STAKEHOLDERS: Policymakers and parents of children with autism

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### IMPACT: Quotes from parents

*“Please know that what you and the legion of others that have championed this cause with you have crafted, lobbied for and ultimately passed, is truly an epic achievement. The treatment now available under this legislation is an integral reason my son continues to have the opportunity to live at home, stay in his community and remain in his school.”*

*“Thank you for all the work you and your colleagues do to ensure that my son has great treatment and we’re not in lifelong debt because of it.”*

*“You must already know this – I can’t imagine we’re the only family to reach out to you – but you’ve changed our lives in a deep, irrevocable way.”*

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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