

Regional Autism Assistance Program (RAP)
Expert Panel Meeting
Tuesday, January 23, 2024
9:00 am - 11:00 am
Via Zoom

Agenda

- Welcome, introductions

- Guest speaker: Josephine Gittler, JD, University of Iowa College of Law
Autism Advocacy Efforts, Guardianship

- Member Updates
 - Monica Kurtz – Changes Governor Reynolds has proposed for Iowa Area Education Agencies (AEA) with the introduced legislation, [HSB 542](#),
 - Evelyn Horton - Iowa Autism Council 2024 Priorities & Recommendations
 - Kris Steinmetz - 2024 Autism Advocacy and Acceptance Day on the Hill
 - Other member updates

- Input requested:
 - Are insurance companies requiring a reevaluation of autism if the original evaluation was 3+ years ago for ABA or other therapies?
 - If so, is a confirmation of the diagnosis at a visit acceptable or is a full evaluation and a score from a diagnostic tool required?
 - Is this limited to certain companies? If so, which ones?
 - Are there resources available to help undocumented individuals who need an autism evaluation and therapies?

- Discussion – accomplishments, barriers, legislative priorities