

Disability and Abuse Newsfeed

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ABUSE & NEGLECT

1. “A Delta Passenger with Multiple Sclerosis Was Tied to Her Wheelchair with A “Dirty Blanket,” her son claims.” The son of a Delta passenger claims his mother, who has multiple sclerosis, was "physically and emotionally abuse[d]" by Delta employees after she kept slipping out of her wheelchair, People reported. Nathan Saliagas alleges that while his mother, Maria Saliagas, was traveling from Atlanta to Amsterdam with her husband on April 1, employees at the airport in Amsterdam provided Maria with a

wheelchair that, contrary to her request, did not have straps to hold her upright. --- [bustle.com](https://is.gd/WFo0mn), April 27 (Georgia) <https://is.gd/WFo0mn>

2. "Police: Boise woman stole money, items from vulnerable adult." A Boise woman has been booked into the Ada County Jail, after police say she took advantage of a vulnerable adult she was caring for. --- [kivity.com](https://is.gd/eyhrL2), May 1 (Idaho) <https://is.gd/eyhrL2>
3. "Several students physically restrained for 20+ minutes in local schools." It's a controversial form of intervention, that's left students injured and parents, furious. More than 2,300 students were physically restrained in public schools across the state last year. --- [wwlp.com](https://is.gd/LeLbrZ), April 26 (Massachusetts) <https://is.gd/LeLbrZ>
4. "Special education teacher accused of assaulting 6 students in Webster." A teacher in Webster is off the job after six students accused him of assault. Michael Harpin, a 51-year-old special education teacher at Bartlett High School, appeared before a judge on Tuesday after six girls accused him of touching them inappropriately during class. --- [whdh.com](https://is.gd/CI9p1u), May 1 (Massachusetts) <https://is.gd/CI9p1u>
5. "Piqua man convicted of raping autistic child: 'You are a danger to society'." A Piqua man convicted of the rape of an autistic child was sentenced Monday to 10 years in prison by a Miami County judge who called him "a danger to society." --- [daytondailynews.com](https://is.gd/lWfZys), April 30 (Michigan) <https://is.gd/lWfZys>
6. "Disabled boy found strapped down to wheelchair at school; caregiver wants answers." A 5-year-old disabled boy was allegedly strapped down to his wheelchair at a Rolla school. The allegation has led to investigations by both police and state authorities. --- [kplr11.com](https://is.gd/WnOmdf), April 26 (Missouri) <https://is.gd/WnOmdf>
7. "Woman Charged with Abusing a Vulnerable Adult." Sheriff's investigators in Oktibbeha County say a surveillance camera caught a woman abusing

someone in her care and that led to her arrest. --- wtva.com, April 27 (Mississippi) <https://is.gd/Gr0Q2k>

8. "Jackson County schools did not report mistreatment of disabled student, MDE says." The Jackson County School District did not report a teacher's mistreatment of a special education student to the Mississippi Department of Education, the state agency said Thursday. --- sunherald.com, April 27 (Mississippi) <https://is.gd/Tv039y>
9. "Ocean Springs caregiver arrested for exploitation of a vulnerable adult." An Ocean Springs woman is facing charges after police say she stole money from the disabled person she was caring for. --- wlox.com, April 27 (Mississippi) <https://is.gd/LkUwmV>
10. "Special education teacher arrested, accused of stealing school iPads to pawn for cash." A special education teacher was arrested Friday after police say she stole school iPads and sold them at nearby pawn shops, according to a police report. --- news3lv.com, April 28 (Nevada) <https://is.gd/7vaTOc>
11. "Group Home Pays \$450K to Family of Boy Who Recorded Abuse." A group home in upstate New York will pay \$450,000 to the family of a developmentally disabled boy who used a PlayStation to record caretakers threatening his life. --- usnews.com, May 1 (New York) <https://is.gd/XQjrmJ>
12. "Employee assaulted mentally disabled resident at Wake County group home, investigators say." A group home employee turned himself in to the Wake County jail Monday after state health officials charged him with assaulting a mentally disabled resident. --- newsobserver.com, April 30 (North Carolina) <https://is.gd/KvhHer>
13. "400-pound Ohio man pleads guilty to accidentally smothering autistic boy." A 400-pound Ohio man who pinned his 11-year-old step-grandson against the arm of a couch while trying to control the boy with mild autism during a tantrum has pleaded guilty to killing the boy. --- kron4.com, April

27 (Ohio) <https://is.gd/eAbFOJ>

14. "Former police chief found guilty of sexually assaulting intellectually disabled man." A former police chief was found guilty of sexually assaulting an intellectually disabled man multiple times in Bryan County. --- kfor.com, April 27 (Oklahoma) <https://is.gd/77YSdg>
15. "An Above Ground Dungeon: Man Holds Blind Brother Against His Will in Deplorable Conditions, Police Say." A Philadelphia man is accused of holding his blind brother captive inside a trailer in deplorable conditions. --- nbcphiladelphia.com, April 29 (Pennsylvania) <https://is.gd/FjWgVr>
16. "Deaf Publix Employee Punched in The Head by A Customer Who Thought She Was Ignoring Her." Liberty Gratz, who is fully deaf and suffers from vision loss, has been an employee at the Midlothian Publix since the store opened last fall. While speaking through a translator, Liberty told WRIC the violent incident took place on Sunday when she was knelt down restocking items on a shelf. --- bet.com, April 27 (Virginia) <https://is.gd/iMsmnE>

GUARDIANSHIP

17. "Some Concerned with Deficient Guardianship Programs Hope Volunteers Can Fill the Void." When an adult loses the ability to make important legal and medical decisions, courts can appoint a guardian to help manage their life. But in many places around the country, there aren't enough. And for someone in need, not having a guardian can increase the risk of abuse, neglect, and financial exploitation. --- wfyi.org, April 26 (Indiana) <https://is.gd/2Wahwk>
18. "Guardianship panel recommends changes to closed system." A committee appointed by the state Supreme Court has recommended rule changes for

New Mexico courts that would allow the public into previously closed hearings involving people placed under legal guardianship or conservatorship because of their mental or physical condition. --- abqjournal.com, April 28 (New Mexico) <https://is.gd/0C03cd>

19. "Licking County hit by shortage of guardians for the elderly." For Vickie Bope, becoming a guardian for Licking County Probate Court was a way to make sure everyone was cared for in the sunset of their life. --- newarkadvocate.com, April 29 (Ohio) <https://is.gd/XvjcoL>

LAWS & LEGISLATION

20. "Trump Administration Seeks to Bar Immigrants with Disabilities." The Trump administration is moving to make it more difficult for immigrants with disabilities and their families to get a visa or attain permanent residency in the United States. --- disabilityscoop.com, April 30 <https://is.gd/SZZRXt>

21. "Letter: Speakers shocked crowd at disability seminar." The National Disability Policy seminar in Washington, D.C., has been an annual event for me for the past couple of years, but not anymore. I was horrified to hear speaker after speaker shock the crowd, many of them disabled physically and/or intellectually, with wild claims of budget cuts that would cause hunger and mass death in the community. --- dispatch.com, April 30 <https://is.gd/NVV8mP>

22. "The disabled deserve legal counsel when fighting for employment rights." In 1990, Congress passed the Americans with Disabilities Act. Yet today, 7 of 10 disabled citizens cannot get legal representation in court when their employment rights are violated. --- desertsun.com, April 27

<https://is.gd/S0lPla>

23. "Bills on governor's desk would boost elder abuse protections." Suffering in silence, some older adults may never tell law enforcement or authorities about government benefits and other income being stolen by family, friends or caregivers. --- gainesvilletimes.com, April 28 (Florida)

<https://is.gd/V31Kl2>

24. "Audit: Iowa special ed program has multiple violations." An Iowa Department of Education audit has found the Davenport school district's special education programs include a disproportionate number of minority students and that many of them are subjected to disciplinary actions. --- seattletimes.com, April 29 (Iowa) <https://is.gd/bb1UFp>

25. "Judge refuses new attorney for Texas death row inmate who says lawyers abandoned him." A federal judge on Thursday accused lawyers of "interfering" and "gamesmanship" in an order denying their plea to intervene in the case of a Texas death row inmate who says his current attorneys abandoned him three years ago. --- chron.com, April 26 (Maryland) <https://is.gd/j4gPRF>

26. "Jury hears closing arguments in pot-related Salem murder." Leaning on extensive text-messaging records, Marion County prosecutors on Friday made a final push to persuade jurors a Detroit, Michigan man intentionally murdered the father of his drug dealer in Salem. --- statesmanjournal.com, April 27 (Michigan) <https://is.gd/BA0KUh>

27. "Patient demands treatment and release from NH prison since he didn't commit crime." A Secure Psychiatric Unit patient at the state prison for men who hasn't been convicted of a crime has filed a writ in federal court demanding to be transferred to an accredited specialized mental health hospital. --- manchesterinklink.com, April 28 (New Hampshire)

<https://is.gd/Xr8ZQ3>

28. "Disability rights protesters create uproar at MTA event." What was supposed to be a friendly discussion on the future of the city's subways turned into a fiasco Thursday night. MTA Chairman Joe Lhota was shouted down by protesters demanding greater accessibility for disabled riders, among other issues with the transit system. --- ny1.com, April 27 (New York) <https://is.gd/Zm2zUb>
29. "Two Utah Republicans sue the state GOP, saying it violated the Americans with Disabilities Act by refusing to accommodate them at a caucus and a convention." In 2016, Aaron Heineman wanted to be a state delegate for the Utah Republican Party so he could weigh in on that year's presidential election. --- sltrib.com, April 28 (Utah) <https://is.gd/ubpUqf>
30. "Banning the sub-minimum wage could harm workers with disabilities." City of Seattle recently decided to ban the sub-minimum wage, and some groups are trying to get the wage abolished statewide. --- mynorthwest.com, April 27 (Washington) <https://is.gd/pHTNAv>

STUDIES & STATISTICS

31. "Students with Disabilities Are More Likely to Be Restrained or Arrested at School." Students with disabilities are far more likely to be restrained or secluded at school than other students, according to new data from the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights (OCR). --- themighty.com, April 30 <https://is.gd/dyR710>
32. "School Bus Transportation of Children with Special Health Care Needs." School systems are responsible for ensuring that children with special needs are safely transported on all forms of federally approved transportation provided by the school system. --- pediatrics.aapublications.org, April 29 <https://is.gd/j3IJJH>

33. "Autism meeting evolves to address needs of people on the spectrum." I always look forward to the annual meeting of the International Society for Autism Research (INSAR, formerly IMFAR). As managing editor of an autism information nexus called the Thinking Person's Guide to Autism, I take pleasure in learning from brilliant autism researchers at this event. --- spectrumnews.org, May 1 <https://is.gd/inGUQB>
34. "EEG signals accurately predict autism as early as 3 months of age." Early diagnosis by 'digital biomarkers' may allow early intervention, better outcomes --- sciencedaily.com, May 1 <https://is.gd/nlZ8aZ>
35. "Autism Prevalence Jumps 16 Percent, CDC Says." Rising awareness of the condition's characteristics may contribute to an increase in reporting --- scientificamerican.com, April 27 <https://is.gd/HkYMEv>
36. "Autism is becoming more common, and better diagnosis of minorities may be why." The government estimates that autism is becoming more common, but it's only a small increase and some experts think it can be largely explained by better diagnosing of minority children. --- chicagotribune.com, April 27 <https://is.gd/JzE8tn>
37. "New Study Will Explore Medical Marijuana as a Treatment for Autism." Despite a near-ban on medical cannabis research federally, a private donation will fund work on autism treatment in California. --- entrepreneur.com, May 1 (California) <https://is.gd/ggq67l>
38. "Study: 1 in 42 Minnesota kids has autism." A newly released study indicates 1 in 42 children in Hennepin and Ramsey Counties has autism spectrum disorder, a higher rate than other sampled areas of the country. -- kare11.com, April 28 (Minnesota) <https://is.gd/P2q8Qs>

IMPROVED SUPPORTS

39. "Special program launches a second time, preparing kids with autism to take flight." SkyWest took people with autism on a run-through of the whole flying experience, minus the actual flying. --- abc30.com, April 30 (California) <https://is.gd/OGQDlz>
40. "Teachers Seek Inclusion for Special Ed Kids." Nearly 600 teachers, parents and students showed up at school sporting blue T-shirts Friday in support for the hundreds of Elm City kids with autism. --- newhavenindependent.org, April 30 (Connecticut) <https://is.gd/ET9064>
41. "Parents upset after school calls deputies on autistic student in Orange County." It has been two weeks since Brian Martinez watched Orange County deputies load his 10-year-old autistic son into a cruiser and haul him away from the boy's elementary school. --- wftv.com, April 26 (Florida) <https://is.gd/R7e8Uc>
42. "'They're angels on Earth.' These Key West adults with developmental delays are ready to dance." Serina Sehorne didn't hesitate when asked if she knew how to dance before taking lessons. "Yes, I did," said Sehorne, 34, while taking a break from instructor Kyla Piscopink, of Dance Key West, an outreach program that brings dance to communities under-served in the arts. --- miamiherald.com, April 28 (Florida) <https://is.gd/aOxcxD>
43. "Crisis intervention training offered to help with mentally ill." Police trained to understand some people need more help than others --- As police officers and others completed training to help them approach mentally ill people in crisis, officials said the need has increased with a rise in homelessness and opiate addiction. --- mauinews.com, April 29 (Hawaii) <https://is.gd/WtGWjk>
44. "Airport offers "rehearsal flight" for autistic travelers, families." Airports can be daunting and for people with special needs, air travel can present a

special challenge. On Saturday morning, more than 100 people representing 34 families with children or adults on the autism spectrum came to the Fort Wayne International Airport for some flight training, sponsored by Easterseals Arc of Northeast Indiana. ---- journalgazette.net, April 28 (Indiana)

45. "Audit: Iowa special ed program has multiple violations." An Iowa Department of Education audit has found the Davenport school district's special education programs include a disproportionate number of minority students and that many of them are subjected to disciplinary actions. --- desmoinesregister.com, April 29 (Iowa) <https://is.gd/t2YCOz>
46. "Students with autism: 'We're not different'." One was told that he would never be able to live anywhere but his parents' basement and would never be able to support himself. --- stormlakepilottribune.com, April 27 (Iowa) <https://is.gd/c9gv0Q>
47. "People with developmental disabilities often victimized." National studies estimate that almost 80 percent of people with developmental disabilities are sexual assaulted on more than one occasion, and 50 percent of those experience more than 10 victimizations. However, only one in 30 cases is reported to law enforcement. Why is that? --- sunjournal.com, April 29 (Maine) <https://is.gd/9OiWQK>
51. "Failing Patients': Baltimore Video Highlights Crisis of Emergency Psychiatric Care." A viral video from Baltimore is drawing attention to a crisis that's unfolding in emergency rooms across the country: Surging numbers of patients with psychiatric conditions aren't receiving the care they need. --- npr.org, April 29 (Maryland) <https://is.gd/XtnMwY>
52. "A Northeastern professor's algorithm can predict behavior in autistic children." For some families, having a child with autism who behaves aggressively to themselves or others can mean self-imposed confinement. Unpredictable aggression is dangerous, so parents may

choose to avoid restaurants, parks, and other social settings. ----
news.northeastern.edu, April 30 (Massachusetts) <https://is.gd/DgTvfB>

53. "Riders with disabilities get new bikes with help from Mary Free Bed." For many of us, getting our first bicycle is a memory that's hard to forget. On Saturday, a group of disabled children and adults had the chance to experience that memory for the first time. --- fox17online.com, April 29 (Michigan) <https://is.gd/2Zie6t>
54. "Reins of Life helps children and adults with disabilities through horseback riding therapy." Lydick, a town just west of South Bend, is home to some of the community's best-kept secrets. Reins of Life is a therapeutic riding center for children and adults with disabilities. ---- wsbt.com, April 29 (Michigan) <https://is.gd/Bh7SRA>
55. "Rep. LaFave's: upgrade handicapped signage, emphasizing people rather than disabilities." State Rep. Beau LaFave this week introduced a plan to update public signage for handicapped access that emphasizes people rather than disabilities. --- upmatters.com, April 27 (Michigan) <https://is.gd/sYdSvI>
56. "Smithville native sets record as first female double amputee to climb famous incline." A 24-year-old Smithville native is believed to be the first female double amputee to climb the famous Manitou Incline in Colorado. --
- fox4kc.com, April 27 (Missouri) <https://is.gd/kjqeai>
57. "Omaha Home for Boys residents grow food for peers and community." For Carlos Valdenea, working on a farm is nothing new for the Fremont native. "I can teach some of my peers like Danny here some stuff I know. Like ways to do stuff in a simpler way," said Carlos Valdenea. ---
3newsnow.com, April 30 (Nebraska) <https://is.gd/V7NAAC>
58. "High School Student with Down Syndrome Crowned Prom Queen: 'Inclusion Is a Beautiful Thing'." Caitlin Adams, a Nebraska high school senior with Down syndrome, got to wear a tiara and hear the applause of

her classmates as she was crowned prom queen for Elkhorn South High School on April 7. --- popsugar.com, April 30 (Nebraska) <https://is.gd/Hfaln>

59. "Dr. Ruth of the autistic community' Amy Gravino talks love and dating." The precarious dance of dating and sex can be tough for anyone to navigate. But when the potential partners miss social cues, crave familiar routines, and are socially awkward, an otherwise romantic evening can feel like torture. --- northjersey.com, April 27 (New Jersey) <https://is.gd/FsXkzO>

60. "Clifton resident catches city car parked in handicapped parking space." After the city announced it was forming citizen enforcement squads to snap photos of handicapped-parking violators, it didn't take long for the first tip to come in. --- northjersey.com, April 26 (New Jersey) <https://is.gd/s7GJzE>

61. "NY'ers with disabilities' decision to work now less stressful." When a worker with a disability looks for a better job with a higher wage they often have to decide whether to take a cut in their federal benefits such as Social Security or Medicaid, which are essential. --- wivb.com, April 27 (New York) <https://is.gd/GrkdBn>

62. "Number of support providers for disabled plummets as demand rises for crucial services." The commercial lasts less than a minute. Time enough, Ben Young hopes, for viewers to see what he needs and to imagine what he can give. timesreporter.com, April 29 (Ohio) <https://is.gd/ng1ZHI>

63. "Student with Down syndrome first to graduate college in four years." It was a standing ovation for the first student with Down syndrome to complete four years of college in Oregon. --- katu.com, May 1 (Oregon) <https://is.gd/6D5oR9>

64. "'Birding' in a wheelchair? Woman hopes her story inspires others in wheelchairs to explore." Virginia Rose hopes people who are in wheelchairs hear her message. "These people just don't know that they can do it," she

said. "They don't know yet. Once I show them that they can do it, then I've sprung them." --- kvue.com, April 26 (Texas) <https://is.gd/tLJoh>

65. "Loudoun School Board Creates 19-Member Special Education Panel." Loudoun school leaders want to take a deeper look at how local public schools are serving special education students. --- loudounnow.com, April 30 (Virginia) <https://is.gd/4SIFqy>

66. "Eau Claire County went \$4.7 million over its expected costs last year for out-of-home placements of children and people with mental illnesses. Savings and revenues in other social services programs will partially offset that cost overrun, but the county's Human Services Department is expected to end up with almost a \$1.4 million budget deficit on 2017's books, according to county officials. --- leadertelegram.com, April 28 (Wisconsin) <https://is.gd/CUriVP>

INTERNATIONAL

67. "NDIS failing a third of participants, report finds, with intellectually disabled people missing out on services." The \$22 billion National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) is failing some of its most vulnerable participants, a new report has found. --- abc.net.au, May 1 (Australia) <https://is.gd/WrbV2A>

68. "Ontario Supporting Better Health Care for Adults with Developmental Disabilities." Ontario is improving health care for adults with developmental disabilities through new supports for primary care providers, including family doctors. The Developmental Disabilities Primary Care program will be led by Surrey Place Centre and will help primary care providers, like family doctors, provide the best possible care for adults with developmental disabilities through updated clinical practice guidelines and online tools and resources. --- news.ontario.ca, May 1 (Canada)

<https://is.gd/HFxBBa>

69. "Autism Isn't Responsible for The Toronto Van Attack." News reports have linked the van attack that killed 10 pedestrians in Toronto this week to the possibility the alleged driver has Asperger's syndrome, a clinical diagnosis currently considered to be part of autism spectrum disorder (ASD). --- huffingtonpost.ca, April 26 (Canada) <https://is.gd/viaxzW>
70. "Saskatchewan community group opens new Saskatoon office to support intellectually disabled." Social Services Minister Paul Merriman joined members of the community, staff members, and dignitaries in Saskatoon to celebrate the public opening of the Saskatchewan Alternative Initiatives' (SAI) office space. --- globalnews.ca, April 27 (Canada) <https://is.gd/SJgqDC>
71. "His DNA test for Down's Syndrome benefited millions but raised ethical dilemma about designer babies. Now Dr. Dennis Lo predicts Hong Kong is ready for biotech boom." Dennis Lo Yuk-ming, 54, is one of Hong Kong's foremost innovators in the realm of medical science. --- scmp.com, April 28 (China) <https://is.gd/u7oVO7>
72. "Girls with disabilities most vulnerable to rape: expert." Girls with intellectual disability are the most vulnerable victims to rape because of their inability to distinguish sexual predators, an educator specialising in people with disabilities told The Myanmar Times. --- mmtimes.com, April 30 (India) <https://is.gd/z78c9M>
73. "Grandparents wanted for child's murder." The police believe that Mr. Phaniel Kombora and Ms. Francis Muwinza who used to live in Gobhoza Section, will help police in the investigations of the child's murder. --- mpumalanganews.co.za, April 27 (India) <https://is.gd/CbbpZi>
74. "Breda O'Brien: State failing children with Down syndrome." Government kicks legs out from under parents working on early-intervention scheme --- irishtimes.com, April 28 (Ireland) <https://is.gd/qitm9Z>

75. “‘Her life is very limited’: Call for improvement to disabled toilets.” Campaigner urge wider use of ‘changing places’ for those with mobility problems --- irishtimes.com, May 1 (Ireland) <https://is.gd/kS6jJd>
76. “Teen with Down Syndrome waits for hip replacement as ‘a matter of urgency’. THE MOTHER of a 13-year-old boy with Down Syndrome says her son has been “sentenced to a horrendous situation” due to a “catalogue of unmitigated disasters” by the HSE. --- limerickleader.ie, April 29 (Ireland) <https://is.gd/fg8oic>
77. “Liverpool Green Party Candidate Resigns after ‘appalling’ disability comment.” Stephen Faragher has left the party after comments appeared on social media --- liverpoolecho.co.uk, May 1 (UK) <https://is.gd/DFwgGj>
78. “BFI apologises after woman with Asperger's ejected from cinema.” Tamsin Parker, 25, was removed for laughing during The Good, the Bad and the Ugly in London --- theguardian.com, April 30 (UK) <https://is.gd/lo9bnF>
79. “More than 120 homeopaths trying to ‘cure’ autism in UK.” More than 120 homeopaths in the UK are offering a “cure” for autism that involves supposedly detoxing children of the vaccines and antibiotics held responsible for the condition, the Guardian has learned. --- theguardian.com, April 27 (UK) <https://is.gd/9PwRb8>

MISCELLANEOUS

80. “After the revelations about Hans Asperger, let’s change how we talk about autism.” It has recently emerged that Hans Asperger, the Austrian doctor who has given his name to the syndrome bearing his name, helped the Nazi regime carry out its first euthanasia programme, Aktion T-4, in which disabled children were lethally injected or starved to death. ---

newstatesman.com, April 27 <https://is.gd/lif0b1>

81. "Thousands Petition Netflix to Remove Tom Segura Comedy Special's Down Syndrome Joke." Netflix viewers are petitioning to remove a joke from comedian Tom Segura's latest comedy special that they argue is offensive to those with Down syndrome. --- popculture.com, April 28
<https://is.gd/8q6ZTy>

82. "Woman honored for saving lives while losing her own in Maryland group home fire." Family members gathered in Landover Friday night to remember a woman who died trying to save a man's life in an Anne Arundel County fire last weekend. --- wjla.com, April 27 <https://is.gd/ldxBg>