



CONSORTIUM FOR CITIZENS WITH DISABILITIES

Fiscal Policy Task Force
2010 Annual Report

2010 in review

The Fiscal Policy Task Force continued work this year on serving the various CCD Task Forces on budget and appropriations issues affecting people with disabilities. Our primary areas of work were the following:

- 1) **Ongoing tracking of budget and appropriations news and status** – Throughout the year, the Task Force worked to help get information and updates on the current status of funding legislation to co-chairs and to CCD as a whole.
- 2) **Liaison to larger funding coalitions** – The Fiscal Policy Task Force coordinated CCD members involvement in larger efforts to enhance domestic discretionary programs through sign on letters, meetings, briefings and other activities.
- 3) **Fiscal Commission Reaction** – The Task Force tracked the activity of the President bi-partisan deficit reduction commission and other groups proposing deficit reduction schemes. And analyzed them for impacts on the lives of people with disabilities. Donna Meltzer represented CCD and testified before the President's commission at the one public hearing that was held.

2011 Priorities

The Task Force foresees that the ongoing debate about deficit reduction and the impact it will have on federal programs serving people with disabilities will a priority in the coming year as proposals from various commissions become legislative proposals. The ongoing work of the Task Force in monitoring and influencing the broad funding debate as well as being the conduit of information to other Task Forces will continue.

Co-Chairs:

Jennifer Dexter – Easter Seals
Donna Meltzer – The Epilepsy Foundation
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