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CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT 2020-2021 GRANTEES			
Diocese	Grantee	Issue Area	Grant
Diocese of Manchester	ABLE NH	Disability Rights	40,000.00

At issue is the fact that ABLE NH:

- Partnered with Planned Parenthood to develop a statement on people with disabilities to make Planned Parenthood's "services" more acceptable to the population of people with disabilities.
- Promoted Planned Parenthood on Social Media
- Promoted a Planned Parenthood event titled, "Sex & Disability!"
- Promoted sex education programs that promote masturbation, contraception and abortion to people with disabilities.
- Posted a pro-abortion message on social media
- Was a vendor at the Queen City Pride festival
- Avidly promotes homosexuality and transgenderism

On [March 31](#) of this year, Planned Parenthood of Northern New England issued a press release indicating that it had partnered with ABLE NH to craft a public statement regarding Planned Parenthood's sensitivities toward the community of people with disabilities. The statement from Planned Parenthood declares the commitment to "providing, promoting and protecting access to

sexual and reproductive health care and education through an anti-ableism viewpoint." This declaration is followed with a thank you to ABLE NH and other organizations "who collaborated with us to help develop this statement and these commitments."

[← Back to PlannedParenthoodAction.org](#)



ABOUT TAKE ACTION ISSUE

Statement from Alyssa Antman, Planned Parenthood of Northern New England:

"Planned Parenthood of Northern New England (PPNNE) recognizes ableism as the discrimination and oppression of those with disabilities/disabled people.

We are committed to providing, promoting, and protecting access to sexual and reproductive health care and education through an anti-ableism viewpoint and we are dedicated to supporting all people in making voluntary choices about their health. We cannot have true sexual and reproductive freedom until we acknowledge that ableism is a barrier to quality health care.

This work is a journey and PPNNE will continually strive for improvement. We thank the many self-advocates and organizations who collaborated with us to help develop this statement and these commitments, including ABLE NH, the NH Council on Developmental Disabilities, and Neighborhood Access."

Planned Parenthood of Northern New England, in that same press release, provided a [link to the full version of this commitment](#), which defined the terms used in the statement, including "sexual and reproductive health care and education," and "sexual and reproductive freedom." As would be expected from Planned Parenthood, these terms are completely antithetical to Catholic teaching.

Sexual and reproductive freedom

The right to a safe and full sex life, as well as the right to take free, informed, voluntary, and responsible decisions on sexuality, sexual orientation and gender identity, without coercion, discrimination or violence.

And lest the Catholic Campaign for Human Development claim in response to Catholic inquiries about this report that ABLE NH never collaborated with Planned Parenthood, but Planned Parenthood took it upon itself to claim it had ABLE NH's help, we point to [this social media post](#) by ABLE NH declaring that yes, they did in fact help Planned Parenthood, saying, "It has been a worthwhile, collaborative journey with Northern New England Planned Parenthood."



ABLE NH

March 31 · 🌐



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It has been a worthwhile, collaborative journey with Northern New England Planned Parenthood. Please read their commitment to disability justice!

Planned Parenthood of Northern New England's Statement on Disability Justice in the Reproductive Health Space

Planned Parenthood of Northern New England (PPNNE) recognizes ableism as the discrimination and oppression of those with disabilities/disabled people.* We are committed to providing, promoting, and protecting access to sexual and reproductive health care and education through an anti-ableism viewpoint. We are dedicated to supporting all people in making voluntary choices about their health.

Disability is a natural part of human diversity. We realize that we cannot have true sexual and reproductive freedom until we acknowledge that ableism is a barrier to quality health care. PPNNE recognizes that there are distinct groups that are historically marginalized. We recognize that discrimination based on disability has a negative impact on our organization and society.

PPNNE is committed to identifying and disrupting discrimination within our organization and in our communities. We will do this by identifying ableist narratives and biases in health care. We will then determine ways to interrupt and prevent them.

PPNNE aims to create a work culture and care environment that respects and values diversity. We recognize that each person has unique skills, experiences, and characteristics. We must reflect the diversity of the broader communities we serve. We welcome different perspectives and experiences. We will be more creative and better prepared to meet the needs of our patients.

We aim to meet the needs of our communities by bringing our "whole selves" to this work. PPNNE is committed to treating all people with respect and dignity and fostering a supportive and understanding environment.

This work begins with the following actions and commitments:

- PPNNE will conduct a community survey to identify opportunities for improvement in patient care and work environment. Findings will inform a plan of action.
- PPNNE will find ways to make the work of identifying and addressing institutional ableism sustainable.
- PPNNE will continually build and support a workforce that is at least as diverse as our patient population.
- PPNNE will strive to create more inclusivity and accessibility on our website, digital platforms, trainings, and communications.
- PPNNE will strive to improve care for patients with disabilities/disabled patients.*

Note:

*People with disabilities is an example of person-first language. Disabled people is an example of identity-first language. We recognize that some people use person-first language and some people use identity-first language.

Definitions:

Ableism

Social prejudice based on the belief that typical abilities are superior.

Discrimination

The practice of unfairly treating a person or group differently from other people or groups of people.

Oppression

When a person or group of people who have power use it in a way that is not fair, is unjust or cruel.

Diversity

The inclusion of people from a range of different social and ethnic backgrounds and of different genders, sexual orientations, etc.

Sexual and reproductive freedom

The right to a safe and full sex life, as well as the right to make free, informed, voluntary and responsible decisions on sexuality, sexual orientation and gender identity, without coercion, discrimination, or violence.

Accessibility

Being easy to approach, reach, enter, speak with, use, or understand.

Institutional ableism

Oppression against people with disabilities that was included in the creation of societies or organizations (examples: religious, educational, social, government).

Marginalized

A person or group treated as less than, powerless, or unequal.



Planned Parenthood of Northern New England

March 31 · 🌐

During this last day of [#DisabilityAwarenessMonth](#), PPNNE is proud to share our statement & commitment on Disability Justice in the Reproductive Health Space. We recognize ableism as the discrimination and oppression of those with disabilities/disabled people and we are committed to identifying and disrupting that discrimination within our organization and in our communities. This work is a journey and PPNNE will continually strive for improvement. We thank the many self-advocates and organizations who collaborated with us to help develop this statement, including [ABLE NH](#); [NH Council on Developmental Disabilities](#), and [Neighborhood Access](#)

Read the full statement here: <https://acrobat.adobe.com/link/track...>

<https://www.neighborhoodaccess.org/>

<https://www.nhcdd.nh.gov/>

<https://www.ablenh.org/>

But this isn't the first time ABLE NH had promoted Planned Parenthood on social media. On [October 5, 2021](#), ABLE promoted a Planned Parenthood event titled, "Sex and Disability!"

A screenshot of a Facebook event post. At the top, the profile picture of ABLE NH is shown next to the name 'ABLE NH' and the date 'October 5, 2021'. The event cover image features a woman with short brown hair, smiling, wearing a floral shirt. Overlaid on the image is the text 'Sex & Disability' in large pink and white letters, with 'JOIN US OCT 5th 7PM' below it. The host is listed as 'Host JULES GOOD'. In the bottom left corner of the cover is the Planned Parenthood logo. Below the cover image, the event date 'TUE, OCT 5, 2021' is shown, followed by the event title 'Sex & Disability' and '13 people interested'. On the right side, there is a button with a star icon and the text 'Interested'.

ABLE NH
October 5, 2021 · 🌐

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Sex & Disability
JOIN US OCT 5th 7PM
Host
JULES GOOD

Planned Parenthood
1000 Broadway
New York, NY 10003-3075

TUE, OCT 5, 2021
Sex & Disability
13 people interested

☆ Interested

The [details page provided by Planned Parenthood](#) on the event indicates that it will be a "discussion about sex education in the disability community" and then provides a "mature content warning."

Details



1 hr



25 people responded



Event by Planned Parenthood New Hampshire Action Fund



Public · Anyone on or off Facebook

Join Planned Parenthood Action Fund in welcoming Jules Good, Founder and Lead Consultant of Neighborhood Access, for our Facebook Live event Sex & Disability! We will be going live from our PPNHAF Facebook page at 7 pm on October 5th to kick start Disability Action Month! Jules will lead us in a discussion about sex education in the disability community and how to fight for disability rights!

We will be going LIVE from this page: <https://www.facebook.com/PPNHAF>

mature content warning See less

The [Planned Parenthood "Sex & Disability!" event](#) was filled with justification for and promotion of promiscuous sex among the community of people with disabilities. In fact, at the 45 minute mark, the speaker promotes prostitution.



Planned Parenthood New Hampshire Action Fund was live.



October 5, 2021 · 🌐

Thank you Jules Good, Founder and Lead Consultant of Neighborhood Access, for hosting our Facebook Live event 'Sex & Disability', and leading us in a discussion about sex education in the disability community and how to fight for disability rights!

mature content warning



And not to be outdone by Planned Parenthood, ABLE NH promoted abortion on social media in a [tweet on May 5](#).

ABLE NH Retweeted



Nat'l Center for Disability and Pregnancy R... @dis_pregn... · May 5 ...

.@LurieInstitute researcher @RobynMPowell has authored the timely analysis, "Including Disabled People in the Battle to Protect Abortion Rights: A Call-to-Action." zcu.io/Un1m
[#disability](#) [#ReproductiveJustice](#) [#AbortionRights](#)

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[I]t is actual disabled people — not hypothetical fetuses with disability diagnoses — who abortion restrictions will harm.

ALT— Robyn M. Powell



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Now, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development may claim that all of this happened after ABLE received its grant for 2020-2021, but the truth is ABLE has been promoting graphic sex education for several years. For instance, in 2019, [ABLE promoted this sex education series](#), directed at people with disabilities, which promotes contraception, masturbation, and even abortion.



ABLE NH

October 16, 2019 · 🌐



Sex Ed *for and by* People with Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities



MERIAHNICHOLS.COM

Video Series On Sex Education for People with I/D Disabilities

An awesome new video series on Sex Education for People with Intellectual Disa...

The [link to the series](#) provided by ABLE NH goes into detail what the video series covers, which means that ABLE NH was not ignorant of the contents of the series when it promoted it. Under the heading "What the series covers," the article says:

"What the Series Covers

This series, hosted by people with intellectual disabilities, covers the explanation of genitals, our bodies, the difference between sex and gender. **It talks about masturbation**, healthy relationships, how to leave a relationship, **the use of condoms, safer sex and what that means.**"

And the video series itself is very clear about the promotion of masturbation to disabled people.

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It also gives graphic explanations of the marital act, suggesting abortion as a possibility at the end, for unwanted pregnancies.

[embedyt] <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FGY-lQCNI5c>[/embedyt]

The series also provides a full condom demonstration with an anatomically accurate phallus.

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In [December of 2019](#), ABLE NH promoted another sex education video series that was directed at disabled people.



The [video linked to](#) by ABLE NH very quickly advocates for "various sexual orientations and gender identities" as being perfectly normal and healthy. From the article accompanying the video:

"Sex ed in the U.S. is often a [hot mess](#). Teens regularly get medically inaccurate information, learn solely about [abstinence](#), and hear [only](#) bad things about LGBTQ identity and sexuality."

Here is the video promoted by ABLE NH.

[embedyt] https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MfYSpuKq_-8[/embedyt]

On [February 14, 2020](#), ABLE NH posted a [link to an article](#) advocating comprehensive sex education and suggesting Planned Parenthood as a source for "sexual education trainers that can come into schools and group homes."



ABLE NH

February 14, 2020 · 🌐



Association of University Centers on Disabilities

February 14, 2020 · 🌐

Happy Valentine's Day from #AUCDPolicyTalk! Learn why we need to talk about sex from Parris Boyd [Institute on Disabilities at Temple University, College of Education](#) <https://bit.ly/2SpUzNe>

In [March of 2020](#), ABLE NH posted ANOTHER article advocating comprehensive sex education for people with autism.



ABLE NH

March 15, 2020 · 🌐




SPECTRUMNEWS.ORG

Why adults with autism need sex education

Too few students with autism or intellectual disabilities have sex education. That ...

Also in [March of 2020](#), ABLE NH promoted a training seminar for people with disabilities titled, "Becoming a Sexual Self Advocate." The flyer for the seminar said that "participants will: Examine ways to have a pleasurable and safe sexual relationship."


ABLE NH
 March 12, 2020 · 🌐

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👤 Becoming a Sexual Self Advocate

A training for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities
 Presented by Katherine McLaughlin of ELEVATUS TRAINING

Thursday, April 9th, 2020
9 AM to 4:30 PM

\$10 Per Person

In Concord, NH

Participants will:

- Define Sexual Self Advocacy and sexual health
- Explore the types of relationships, i.e. friend versus sweetheart or partner
- List tools for being a sexual self-advocate
- Explore healthy versus unhealthy relationships
- Explore one's rights and responsibilities in a relationship
- Examine ways to have a pleasurable and safe sexual relationship

Many people with intellectual and developmental disabilities want to be in positive, healthy relationships and need the information and skills to make decisions about their relationships. But, many say that it is easier to be a general self-advocate than a sexual self-advocate. Individuals often say that they are encouraged to speak up and be in control of their lives, especially with regard to the right to live on your own or get a job. But when someone with a disability says they want privacy in their room or to start dating, they don't always get the same support.

As defined by Green Mountain Self Advocates, being a Sexual Self Advocate means:

- "Speaking up for yourself, sexually"
- "Getting information"
- "Taking a stand"
- "Saying to whomever - this is my choice"
- "Stating your sexual limits and desires with your partner, respecting others limits and desires"
- "Starting to do what you want with relationships"




During this workshop, participants will learn: what is sexual self-advocacy and ways you can become a sexual self-advocate, ways to move from a friend to a partner, what is a healthy versus unhealthy relationship, sexual health, and how to speak up for what you want and need regarding wanting a relationship and within a relationship.

Lunch is included, training will take place at the UNH Institute on Disability, 57 Regional Drive #8, Concord, NH


To register: Mail the attached registration form and payment no later than Friday, March 20, 2020

Questions? Contact Marissa Berg at mberg@csni.org, or call 603-229-1982

Sponsored by:

On [June 4, 2021](#), ABLE NH once again advocated for comprehensive sex education, advancing "reproductive rights" and "access to reproductive health care," which are euphemisms for contraception and abortion.


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 June 4, 2021 · 🌐

Advocacy opportunity!

ABLE NH has been working alongside NH advocates and partners on an educational campaign regarding the experiences that people with disabilities have had with sex education, reproductive rights, and access to reproductive healthcare. Are you interested in being engaged on this issue? We want a diverse group of New Hampshire disability self-advocates to be a part of these conversations.

If you would like to learn more, please send us a message or email leahs@ablenh.org.

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In addition to promoting and helping Planned Parenthood, promoting graphic comprehensive sex education that pushes masturbation and contraception, and signaling defense of so-called "abortion rights" and "reproductive healthcare," ABLE NH is also heavily promoting homosexual and transgender ideologies.

On [June 19, 2021](#), ABLE NH was a vendor at the Queen City Pride Festival.



QUEEN CITY PRIDE
MANCHESTER, NH

FESTIVAL PROGRAM
JUNE 19, 2021
ARMS PARK MANCHESTER, NH

WELCOME TO YOUR PRIDE FESTIVAL

2021 QUEEN CITY PRIDE FESTIVAL

VENDORS & FOOD TRUCKS

ABLE NH	INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF NEW ENGLAND	PHANEUF FUNERAL HOMES
ACTION ENTERPRISES	J DEZ	PINE CONE CARE COLLECTIVE
AFFIRMING SPACES PROJECT	STONEWALL PHOTOGRAPHY	PLANNED PARENTHOOD NH
AMERIHEALTH	JUNEAU THE BARBER	PLAYA BOWLS MANCHESTER
AMOSKEAG HEALTH	JUST ADD DOGS	QUEEN CITY BIKE COLLECTIVE
BOARDS & BREWS	JUST CALM DOWN	RENAISSANCE NEW ENGLAND
BOOK VENDOR	LEAF GUARD OF NEW ENGLAND	REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM FUND OF NH

After the Queen City Pride festival, [ABLE NH posted on twitter](#) how happy it was to have been included in the photo collage.



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How wonderful that ABLE NH was included on Queen City Pride's photo collage. Thank you to the organizers for making the day so accessible and fun for vendors and attendees! [@QueenCityPride2](#) [#PrideMonth](#) queencitypridenh.org/2021-festival-...



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5:14 PM · Jun 23, 2021 · Twitter Web App

[ABLE NH even posted its own photo](#) at the Queen City Pride event.



ABLE NH @ablenh1 · Jun 19, 2021



Come say hi to ABLE NH at @QueenCityPride2! #intersectional #PrideMonth #30DaysofDisabledPride #DisabilityJustice



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Image description: Leah & Lisa stand by ABLE NH's table at Queen City Pride.

In [October of 2021](#), ABLE NH both marched in and tabled at the Portsmouth Pride event as well.



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Reminder: ABLE NH will be at Portsmouth PRIDE this Saturday!

Want to march with us in the parade or volunteer at our table? Email leahs@ablenh.org for more info.



March with ABLE NH in the Portsmouth PRIDE Parade!

**Join us on Saturday, October 9th to
spread the word about disability justice!**

Contact leahs@ablenh.org for more info.

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12:00 PM · Oct 4, 2021 · Twitter Web App

And as with the Queen City Pride Event, [ABLE NH proudly shared a photo](#) of its table at the Portsmouth Pride event also.



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Come say hello to ABLE NH members at
@OutrightPride Portsmouth PRIDE today!



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11:46 AM · Oct 9, 2021 · Twitter for iPhone

On [June 9th of this year](#), ABLE NH posted its own schedule of events for the months of June-August, inviting people to "march with us" at the Manchester and Portsmouth Pride Parades.



Friends, allies & members –
Join ABLE NH at these fun events & informational webinars – *all* welcome!

- June 18th - Manchester Pride Parade – march with us!
 - June 25th - Portsmouth Pride Parade – march with us!
 - June 30th - **Family Forum on BDS Redesign** 6:00 – 7:30pm, hybrid event, IOD,
 - o Concord, <https://unh.zoom.us/j/98192244241>.
 - July 9th - **Blues BBQ**, 5pm doors open, 6:00pm music, Camp Allen, Bedford,
 - o register: <https://ablenh.wildapricot.org/event-4816380>. Registration is required to plan for the BBQ chicken dinners!
 - July 26th - Press Conference, Inclusive Education Task Force, 11:00am,
 - o Concord, launch of the **Declaration on Inclusive Education**
 - July 26th - **Housing Info for the Disability Community**, Zoom webinar,
 - o <https://ablenh.wildapricot.org/event-4860500>,
 - August 3rd - **Nashua chapter Picnic** – Greeley Park, 5:30-7:00pm
 - August 4th - **Concord chapter Picnic** – White's Park, 5:30-7:00pm
 - August 9th - **Manchester chapter Picnic** – Stark Park, 5:30-7:00pm
 - August 17th - **Seacoast chapter Picnic** – Henry Law Park, 5:30-7:00pm
 - August ? - **ABLE North chapter Picnic** – TBD
 - October 15th – NH 1st ever **Disability Pride Parade**, Manchester, NH, March in the parade! Join the planning committee!
- Want to participate, volunteer, or join a task force? Contact: lisab@ablenh.org
Blues BBQ tickets are \$25, FREE for people/families w/ disabilities.
All other events are FREE!



ABLE NH

June 9 · 🌐

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Dear friends - Check out all the cool ways you can have FREE FUN or GET INVOLVED or GET INFORMED on issues with ABLE NH. There are community events, informational webinars, & summer picnics (we supply the food). PLEASE NOTE: The Family Forum on the BDS Redesign is being driven by families so you can learn about BDS's plan, hear concerns & share your concerns. Families & individuals with disabilities, let's create OUR list of what needs to be "redesigned" in our developmental service system.

And on June 25 of this year, ABLE NH publicly announced that it is actually marching in the LGBT Portsmouth Pride Parade.



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ABLE NH is an ally! Our team is ready to March at @PortsmouthPride. [#Intersectionality](#) [#LoveWins](#) [#InclusionWorks](#)





12:00 PM · Jun 25, 2022 · Twitter for iPhone

On [April 18, 2020](#), ABLE NH posted an article promoting LGBTQ activism within the community of people with disabilities. The focus of the article was on how homosexuals are "leading a revolution" regarding disability and "sexual freedom." [The article, published in the LGBT publication called "The Advocate"](#) opens with this paragraph:


"Last year, thousands of sexy pics of hotties who happened to be disabled flooded Twitter after the hashtag #DisabledAreHot went viral. The man behind the hashtag, Disability After Dark podcaster Andrew Gurza, couldn't have been more thrilled.

Gurza, who identifies as “a queer cripple,” is disabled, male-identified, white, and part of the vanguard of disabled LGBTQ people garnering attention on social media platforms, as the subjects of lusty thirst. He’s also reclaiming space in the bedroom and the queer community, pushing for more representation in porn and erotica, and sparking public discussions about sex and sexuality for those of all abilities.”

 **ABLE NH**
April 18, 2020 · 🌐

 **Representing Disability in an Ableist World: Essays on Mass Media**
April 17, 2020 · 🌐

Three LGBTQ people are leading a revolution in how we think about disability and sexual freedom.



ADVOCATE.COM
Disabled LGBTQ Activists Are Redefining Sex and Sexuality
Three LGBTQ people are leading a revolution in how we think about disability an...

And in [April of this year](#), ABLE NH invited its members to attend a presentation on "LGBTQ

Competency" put on by the LGBT organization called "Seacoast Outright."



Conclusion

We have conclusively shown that ABLE NH is an organization that has assisted and promoted Planned Parenthood, promoted Planned Parenthood events, promoted graphic sex education programs that encourage masturbation, the use of contraception, and the acceptance of abortion as an option for unwanted pregnancies, as well as promoting homosexuality and transgenderism.

This organization has no business receiving Catholic funding. None of this information was hard to find, which means that the CCHD clearly is either incapable of or unwilling to properly vet organizations to which it provides funding, and as such, should be closed down as an organization altogether.