

LOUISIANA CITIZENS FOR ACTION NOW

Advocating for Louisiana Citizens with Developmental Disabilities

Information Alert - Senate Did NOT Restore NOW Funding

The Senate passed the budget (HB1) without restoring the cuts made to the New Opportunities Waiver (NOW) program. These funding cuts will result in the loss of 168 NOW slots through attrition. These 168 NOW slots are currently filled and become vacant through attrition, such as, when people pass away, move out of state or otherwise give up their slot. Without funding, these "attrition" slots will be frozen and not filled **preventing anyone on the waiting list from being served in the coming year.**

This is the first time Louisiana's budget contained a DECREASE in the number of NOW slots.

The budget next goes to the House for concurrence.

LaCAN members should be proud of their advocacy efforts. Hundreds of LaCAN members advocated diligently to educate legislators on the importance of NOW services.

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Any Questions?

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