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***Save the Date:***      **NAME 2009 Annual Conference**  
**San Diego, CA**  
**October 13, 2009 – NAME Academy & NEW**  
**Innovation for Experienced Members**  
**October 14 – 16, 2009 – Annual Conference**  
***More information to follow soon!***

**Washington Post**  
**Tuesday, March 3, 2009**

President Obama named Kansas Gov. Kathleen Sebelius as his secretary of health and human services. Obama named Nancy-Ann DeParle as director of the White House Office of Health Reform, thus "...rounding out the leadership of the team that will direct his administration's efforts to revamp the nation's ailing health-care system."

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2009/03/02/AR2009030200371.html?wpisrc=newsletter>

**American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Extends Moratoria**

President Obama recently signed into law the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, also referred to as the "economic recovery package." This legislation extends the existing Congressional moratorium on CMS Rule 2287-F, delaying implementation of the school-based Medicaid administration and transportation rule until June 30, 2009. A paper describing various Medicaid provisions in the bill is available from the Center on Budget and Policy priorities.

<http://www.cbpp.org/2-13-09sfp.pdf>

**Census Bureau Releases Latest Americans with Disabilities Report**

The Census Bureau report "Americans with Disabilities: 2005" provides estimates of the socioeconomic characteristics of people with disabilities. This report is an update of "Americans with Disabilities: 2002" which presented similar estimates of disabilities." The report is available at

[census.gov/prod/2008pubs/p70-117.pdf](http://census.gov/prod/2008pubs/p70-117.pdf).

**IEP Used as the Primary Accountability Tool Under NCLB**

The IEP is a tool that serves multiple functions as it monitors the services and supports provided to the student. IEPs are not designed or used as tools for holding schools accountable for whether students with disabilities are taught to the academic content and achievement standards established by the state for all students. The opinion stating this is available at:

[http://www.c-c-d.org/task\\_forces/education/CCD-IEP-letter10-07.pdf](http://www.c-c-d.org/task_forces/education/CCD-IEP-letter10-07.pdf)

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## Conference Theme: Surfing the Waves of Medicaid in Education

The Call for Presenters and Presenter Application will be available later this month. Please consider contributing to this year's conference by presenting. We need your assistance to continue to provide valuable information to attendees!

### “Consent”

The Hot Topic for the First Topical Call of 2009 Members of NAME's Education and Research (ER) Committee held a topical conference call on Friday, February 26, 2009. Close to 200 individuals listened on 105 phone lines to an overview of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act regulations of 2006 that requires the need for consent to access a child's public or private health benefits and the Family Rights and Privacy regulations that governs the need for consent to release private information from education records. Evaluations will be sent out during the first week in March to those who participated. Documents discussed during the call can be viewed on the Website and the overview, reports, and discussion portions of the call will also be posted in the near future. Any NAME members willing to share a post consent forms/policies/ procedures can send them to Cathy Griffin at: [cathy.griffin@state.mn.us](mailto:cathy.griffin@state.mn.us). Here's a big THANK YOU to all the Work of the ER Committee members who participated and especially to Denise Achin, Susan Alexander, Laurie Ray and Cathy Griffin.

Link: <http://www.medicaidforeducation.org/content.asp?a=478>