



Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities

'Helping people to live, learn and work in our community'

NewsBits

Able Act

Congress has passed the ABLE (Achieving Better Life Experiences) Act and it has been sent to the President for his consideration. The ABLE Act would allow for a single tax-free savings account to be established for individuals who were disabled prior to the age of 28. These individuals could save up to \$14,000 per year to pay for future health-care, housing, education, transportation and other necessary expenses without forfeiting their eligibility for Medicaid. The accounts will resemble 529 college savings plans. The President is expected to sign the bill.

Calamity Days

Caregivers and Parents are reminded that they can assist with decisions about sending someone to a school, workshop or other location on bad weather days. Even if transportation is still operating, the weather or conditions in your part of town may be such that it is safest for someone to stay home, based on their needs. There are days when it snows heavily in northern Franklin County and no snow at all in the southern part of the County.

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