

Disability Rights New York Part of the Cover-Up

Disability Rights New York is fully aware of the cover-ups of deaths of many people with disabilities, yet has chosen to be part of the cover-up

DELMAR, NEW YORK, UNITED STATES, September 17, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Staggering numbers of deaths of people with disabilities living in residential care facilities and group homes are occurring every year in New York State, on average over 4,000. Extremely large numbers of these deaths are criminally negligent deaths that are being purposefully covered-up. [Disability Rights New York](#) which was appointed by [Governor Cuomo](#) has not taken the appropriate actions to swiftly stop these horrific crimes and many of these preventable deaths from happening or the criminal cover-ups. Upwards of 1,000,000 children and adults with disabilities or those struggling with mental illness in New York State are being discriminated against. These individuals are being denied the same privileges to immediate 911 emergency medical and police first



Jonathan Carey "Champion for the Disabled" Born September 12, 1993 Killed by caregivers on February 15, 2007

responder services and assistance when they are victims of crimes. This is occurring all the time in State and private residential care facilities and group homes that are widely known to be unsafe and providing substandard care and services. Without question people with disabilities are being denied their 14th Amendment U.S. Constitutional right to equal protection of laws and are being treated as

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lower class people deemed unworthy of protecting. People with disabilities in most cases when they are physically or sexually assaulted, significantly injured, in medical distress or have died the 911 call systems that were put in place to protect and assist everyone is purposefully bypassed in New York State. All attempts to have Disability Rights New York get the federal authorities to swiftly investigate and stop the horrific and deadly [discrimination in civil rights](#) against some of our societies most vulnerable have gone ignored. For years Disability Rights New York has looked the other way and has chosen to protect and shield top State officials and State agencies involved in some of the

most egregious and horrific acts of discrimination and criminal activity in the history of New York State. As 11-12 deaths of people with disabilities are reported daily on average almost all are

purposefully never reported to local authorities including Medical Examiners and are purposefully not criminally investigated. The sole purpose of this regular practice is to cover-up criminally negligent deaths. Disability Rights New York has been aware of these criminal cover-ups of deaths, as well as the staggering numbers of physical and sexual assault crimes, and the fact that almost all of them are being covered-up. Disability Rights New York has chosen to protect and shield Governor Cuomo as well as many top State officials and criminals directly involved.

Disability Rights New York is primarily looking the other way and treating the disabled differently and without question unequally. Disability Rights New York refuses to get the appropriate federal investigations to swiftly assist the disabled and save many lives and they continue to look the other way even after more recent investigative reporting pieces by AP News

<http://bigstory.ap.org/article/34c9c059196a4b70bc8ded92d2fbe4b7/9-deaths-no-charges-raise-questions-about-oversight-agency>

<http://bigstory.ap.org/article/27b17232ed3c41d1b79db9c444e0e484/new-protocol-agency-sent-death-reports-nowhere>

and BuzzFeed News https://www.buzzfeed.com/benhattem/a-beating-at-bellevue?utm_term=.oj1lvblA3#.yoOORvO5P

https://www.buzzfeed.com/benhattem/legislators-and-advocates-call-for-overhaul-of-justice-cente?utm_term=.xbJ9MJ97Y#.avQR1oR9M.

The discriminatory treatment and horrific care and services provided the disabled in New York State run and privately sub-contracted facilities and group homes is so vast and continues now worse than ever. Disability Rights New York is part of the cover-up and helping to protect the State from massive lawsuits, instead of protecting the disabled properly. The tragic fact is that Disability Rights New York could have taken decisive actions to stop the wide-scale discrimination, unequal treatment and criminal cover-ups deaths and many other crimes against the disabled since the award winning New York Times "Abused & Used" investigative reporting series, but they have chosen not to get swift outside federal intervention.

http://www.nytimes.com/interactive/nyregion/abused-and-used-series-page.html?_r=0 This massive investigative reporting series which started to be released in March of 2011. The "Abused & Used" series was later to become a runner up for a Pulitzer Prize

<http://www.nytimes.com/2011/06/06/nyregion/boys-death-highlights-crisis-in-homes-for-disabled.html> .

Disability Rights New York has had every opportunity to finally do what is right and help swiftly stop the state-wide discrimination, but chose to ignore the disabled and their most basic of equal rights to 911 medical and police first responder services and their equal protection of laws. Many precious people with disabilities, like Jonathan Carey have died and continue to die as a direct result of the discriminatory practice of bypassing 911.

<http://www.nytimes.com/video/nyregion/100000000849083/a-failure-to-protect.html> Instead of moving to dramatically protect and ensure the civil rights to 911 emergency medical and police services for the disabled, to ensure swift federal investigations and to stop the staggering numbers of deaths occurring, the safety and rights of the disabled are being purposefully ignored. Disability Rights New York ignored their responsibility to get federal investigations as numerous steps were taken by the Cuomo administration to ensure reported and witnessed crimes, including criminally negligent deaths would be kept from 911 call systems and all local authorities. The ongoing civil rights violations against some of our most vulnerable can and must be stopped now. All attempts by Disability Rights New York to conceal and hide the criminal cover ups from the federal authorities and the conceal the horrific damages and deaths resulting from bypassing 911, bypassing local police and bypassing New York State penal laws is unconscionable. Disability Rights New York is supposed to protect the disabled, yet their top officials appear to want to keep their lucrative salaries and keep their jobs instead of ensuring the appropriate federal investigations and the cover-ups of deaths and crimes are stopped. All attempts to have Disability Rights New York ensure swift federal criminal and civil rights investigations to date have gone ignored.

Governor Cuomo and Disability Rights New York continue to allow provider agencies to investigate the deaths occurring in State and private facilities and group homes

<https://www.justicecenter.ny.gov/sites/default/files/documents/JusticeCenterDeathReportingClarificati>

[on12-17-15.pdf](#) . As you will see from this State document, the acting Executive Director of Cuomo's Justice Center abuse and death hotline, Jay Kiyonaga has directed the internal investigations of deaths. Here is the exact quote, "State and private providers should continue to review/investigate deaths in their programs, unless informed otherwise by the Justice Center."

Disability Rights New York, to date, has refused to seek immediate outside investigations by the U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Divisions and from U.S. Attorney Preet Bharara. As a direct result, the discrimination and unequal treatment of the disabled as well as countless injuries, deaths and cover-ups continue in staggering scope. Disability Rights New York continues to look the other way as many innocent people with disabilities are dying, therefore Disability Rights and all their top officials must be investigated and held accountable by the U.S. Department of Justice and U.S. Attorney Preet Bharara.

Stand with us for "equal rights" and "civil rights" for people with disabilities in New York State and throughout our great country by signing our petition at www.jonathancareyfoundation.org. No longer can 911 be bypassed, 911 call systems must be immediately called by all mandated reporters regarding all physical and sexual assaults, gross negligence of care, significant and suspicious injuries and when a person with a disability is in medical distress or has stopped breathing.

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