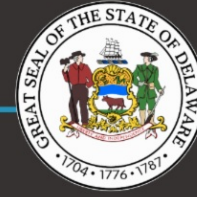




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Lt. Governor Bethany Hall-Long joins Governor Carney, Sen. Nicole Poore, Rep. Krista Griffith, families and advocates for the bill signing of SB 55

Legislation Creating First Rare Disease Advisory Council in Delaware Signed by Governor

Delawareans living with rare diseases should never suffer in silence. That's why I joined Senator Nicole Poore and Rep. Krista Griffith to lead efforts on the passage of **SB 55**, which creates Delaware's First Rare Disease Advisory Council. Last week, I joined families, advocates, and legislators as Governor Carney signed the legislation into law.

This new advisory body will give patients, caregivers, and families a platform to address concerns and create a foundation for further innovation to create

treatments and improve services for Delawareans suffering from a rare disease.

No family should have to face this battle alone. This council will ensure that patients, caregivers, and families have a critical resource to improve their quality of care and quality of life.

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Tackling Delaware's Opioid Crisis

We all know someone impacted by the opioid crisis. Here in Delaware we are taking decisive action to expand access to treatment and resources for those who need it.

Last month, the [Prescription Opioid Settlement Distribution Commission](#) allocated \$10 million to organizations in all three counties helping to tackle the opioid crisis in Delaware. These funds will go directly towards helping Delawareans with a wide array of services including harm reduction, recovery support, treatment, prevention, and awareness.

As co-chair of the commission, I am confident that these funds will save lives and help Delawareans in need, but our work is not done. We have to do more to break down the stigma, increase awareness, and expand treatment resources for Delawareans struggling with addiction. I look forward to working with Attorney General Jennings and commission members to continue making progress on this vital issue. Read more below.

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Bayhealth Debuts New Mobile Care Unit



Meeting the needs of our neighbors means providing access to quality health care when and where they need it. It was an honor to join Governor Carney and officials from Bayhealth to debut their new mobile care unit at the Delaware State Fair.

The mobile care unit will provide "Health on the Move" by meeting Delawareans where they are and helping to provide care, screenings, and resources to underserved and hard-to-reach communities throughout the state.

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Office of the Lt. Governor 2023 Fall
Internship Program



Curious about a career in government or policy and looking for an exciting opportunity to complement your fall semester? The Office of the Lt. Governor is now accepting applications for the 2023 Fall Internship Program!

Interested applicants can apply by sending their resume, cover letter, and contact information to Liz.Richards@delaware.gov. Applications will be accepted until Friday, August 25th!

Rise Above It Awards for Mental Health and Wellness



Last month, I was honored to attend the Dorcas Salvation Foundation's first annual Rise Above It awards ceremony for their Mental Health and Substance Use Youth Summer Institute Program in Seaford.

Dr. Nadia Jeudy and the Dorcas Salvation Foundation do incredible work to improve the mental health and wellness of youth in our communities. It was an honor to attend the ceremony and meet with the program's leaders and participants. You all have bright futures ahead and I wish you the best of luck!

**Reminder: Affordable Internet Access
Available**



Access to the internet not only connects us to information, it connects residents to each other and to opportunities they need to thrive from job and educational opportunities to community resources and updates.

The Affordable Connectivity Program levels the playing field - offering eligible households \$30 per month toward home internet services. Ask a Specialist at the **Delaware Libraries** about the ACP or visit GetACP.org/Delaware to learn more.

To learn about available times and enrollment opportunities, check your local library's programming either in person or visit the online calendar: delawarelibraries.libcal.com/ Dates and times vary.

Helpful Numbers

National Suicide & Crisis Hotline: 988	Delaware 211: 211	Poison Control: 800-222-1222
Delaware Hope Line: 833-9-HOPEDE	DE Drinking Water: 302-741-8630	Child Abuse Reporting: 800-292-9582
Youth Crisis Support: 800-969-4357	Delaware Stars: 302-831-3239	US Veterans Affairs: 800-698-2411



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