| **Week One: Foundational Concepts in Disability & Policy** |
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| *Overview*  The purpose of this module is to create a shared understanding and language as related to disability and policy for this course. You can expect to learn about the socio-cultural background of disability in the United States and how the United States policy cycle functions. |
| *Objectives*   1. Define disability through multiple lenses 2. Describe the roots and impact of ableism 3. Compare models of disability 4. Identify steps in the US policy cycle 5. Describe the different branches of government take in the policy cycle 6. Describe different components of policy analysis |
| *Content*   1. Disability    1. Defining Disability    2. Ableism    3. Models of Disability 2. United States Educational Policy    1. U. S. Policy Cycles    2. Federal and State Roles in Education    3. Policy Analysis |
| *Readings*  Education Deans for Justice and Equity. (2017, January). *Public education, democracy, and the role of the federal government: A declaration of principles.* National Education Policy Center. <https://nepc.colorado.edu/publication/deans-declaration-of-principles>  Zaks, Z. (2024). Changing the medical model of disability to the normalization model of disability: Clarifying the past to create a new future. *Disability & Society, 39*(12), 3233-3260. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09687599.2023.2255926> |
| *Presentations*   1. Disability Presentation 2. Policy Presentation |
| *Suggested Activities*   1. Disability    1. Defining Disability - WHO    2. Ableism - Willowbrook State School    3. Models of Disability - Section 14(c) 2. United States Policy    1. U.S. Policy Cycles    2. Federal and State Roles in Education    3. Policy Analysis |
| *Additional Resources*   1. CEC Policy [Fact Sheet](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1qiwv9UP0hjs1KId1uhSCnP9mTlBEEdrQ/view?usp=drive_link): Federal v. State Role in Special Education 2. ECTA IDEA Overview: [Website](https://ectacenter.org/idea.asp)    1. States Part C Regulations and Policies: [Website](https://ectacenter.org/partc/statepolicies.asp)    2. States Part B 619 Regulations and Policies: [Website](https://ectacenter.org/sec619/stateregs.asp) |
| *References*   1. Disability 2. U.S. Policy |