



TO: Board of Directors  
FROM: Advocacy Committee  
RE: Committee Report  
DATE: May 25, 2023

The Advocacy Committee has been meeting on a regular basis the first Wednesday of each month at 7 pm and will continue on this schedule for 2023.

Catherine Tucker will be stepping down as the Chair of the Committee, and Meredith Munn will be taking over as the Chair following the Board Meeting in June. Catherine will continue to serve as Vice Chair. With the addition of new members, the Committee currently has membership from all 6 New England states.

With the busy state legislative season, the Committee has focused on state level legislation including a fertility insurance law in Vermont, expanded insurance coverage for gay, lesbian, bisexual, and single people in New Hampshire, and fiscal issues related to implementation of the Maine insurance law.

The Committee has implemented a protocol to analyze state level legislation in a timely manner, as once a month meetings do not give us the flexibility we need to meet state legislative deadlines. This protocol is being used successfully to work on the current Rhode Island bill relating to embryo storage.

The Committee has an article planned for the next RNE Magazine and will plan other educational materials for patients and treatment providers.