



BRIEFING: ADVANCING POLICIES TO ENSURE SUMMER CAMPS CAN BEST SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT, LEARNING AND SAFETY OF CHILDREN

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Summer is fast approaching and millions of youth will head off to camp as the school year comes to an end. Camps nurture the potential of youth and create a sense of community. Campers of all ages develop positive relationships and a sense of belonging, and build skills that will help them become ready for college and career.

Camps are special environments where kids learn and practice critical skills like decision-making, effective communication, teamwork and collaboration. It is a community where they learn to be more independent and how to contribute to a group as they engage in physical, social and educational activities. It is also the place where many youth have their first job experience.

Did you know?

- More than 14,000 day and resident camps exist in the U.S. 8,400 are resident (overnight) and 5,600 are day camps. *(2017 American Camp Association Sites, Facilities, Programs Report)*
- Each year more than 14 million children and adults attend camp in the U.S. *(2013 ACA Camp Compensation and Benefits Report)*
- Camps employ more than 1,500,000 camp staff to work in various camp positions. *(2013 ACA Camp Compensation and Benefits Report)*

It's critical to have a focused lens on the broad scope of policy issues that could impact summer day and resident camps. If you have a camp in your district, you should come to learn more about the federal policies impacting camps from:



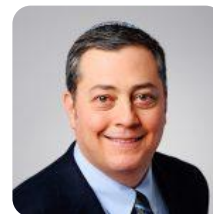
Anne Derber,
CEO/Chief Executive,
Camp Manito-wish. Anne has served the YMCA camping

community for more than 25 years, getting her start as a camper in the Manito-wish girl's summer camp program! She serves on the National Board of YMCA of the USA and has served in her current position as CEO since 2000 and is only the 6th director in Manito-wish history.



Scott Brody
(NH/MA), Chair,
American Camp Association (ACA)
Public Policy committee,
Owner/Director,
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& Evergreen (NH) and Everwood Day Camp (MA). Scott represents ACA a member of the Executive Board of the Partnership for 21st Century Learning (P21.org), with responsibility for P21's "Beyond School" initiatives. He also serves on the Board of the Foundation for Jewish Camping.



Jeremy J. Fingerman, CEO,
Federation of Jewish Camps. Jeremy joined the Foundation for Jewish Camp as CEO in 2010.

Prior to joining FJC, he had a highly-regarded 20+ year career in Consumer Packaged Goods, beginning at General Mills, Inc, then at Campbell Soup Company, where he served as President of its largest Division, US Soup. In 2005, he was recruited to serve as CEO of Manischewitz. Jeremy spent many wonderful summers at Camp Ramah in Wisconsin as a child where he discovered the joy of Judaism and made lifelong friends.

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