**Paid Family and Medical Leave: The Disability Angle**

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**Speaker Biographies**

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**State Coordinator, Family Voices New Jersey**

Lauren Agoratus is a parent and State Coordinator for Family Voices NJ, which is a national network that seeks to keep families at the center of children's healthcare. Family Voices NJ is housed at the Statewide Parent Advocacy Network, the federally designated Parent Training and Information Center.

**Erika Hagensen**

**Disability Policy and Advocacy Consultant, The Arc of North Carolina and North Carolina Council on Developmental Disabilities**

Erika’s past experience includes serving as Executive Director of the Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr. Foundation and as the Director of Disability Rights, Family and Technology Policy for The Arc of the United States and United Cerebral Palsy’s Disability Policy Collaboration (DPC).  She received the OMB Watch “Public Interest Rising Star” award for her pursuit of government accountability, citizen participation, and social justice. Erika holds a master’s degree in social work from the University of Washington.

**Kali Grant**

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At GCPI, she helps lead research, writing, and communication. Previously, Grant was an AmeriCorps VISTA volunteer at the Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law in Chicago, where she focused on economic justice and asset-building policies that support low-income families and individuals. Grant is an MPP candidate at the McCourt School of Public Policy at Georgetown, and graduated with Research Distinction from the John Glenn College of Public Affairs at The Ohio State University.

**T.J. Sutcliffe**

**Director, Income & Housing Policy, The Arc**

The Arc is the largest national community-based organization advocating for and serving people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families. At The Arc, Ms. Sutcliffe specializes in federal public policy related to Social Security, income support, housing, and antipoverty initiatives. She is a member of the National Academy of Social Insurance. Ms. Sutcliffe has a Masters of Social Work from The Catholic University of America and a Bachelor of Arts from Johns Hopkins University, *cum laude*.