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Members Becky and Ryan Kekula's Hospital Settlement

TW: Loss, Death, Trauma

LPA is proud to support our members Becky and Ryan Kekula with the court settlement resulting from the outcome of the failed actions that occurred at Boston Children's Hospital. Several media outlets have reported on this story, and we thank them for shedding light on this tragedy.

The Kekula's story bears the hallmark of many other LP parents. Disabled parents have historically dealt with medical professionals treating them differently, and at times inferior, than non-disabled parents. This treatment can manifest in parents being dismissed, condescended to, or not being given proper information on their children. Unfortunately, this is common in our community and is simply not ok.

We would like to encourage all of our disabled parents to share this story and continue this important conversation. We invite you to share your experiences with the medical professionals when seeking treatment for your children. Have you ever been dismissed? Have you dealt with medical professionals who overlook or disregard your concerns? Have you been spoken to in an unprofessional or condescending manner? Have you previously felt like you have not been heard or taken seriously?

In loving memory of Jackson Kekula.