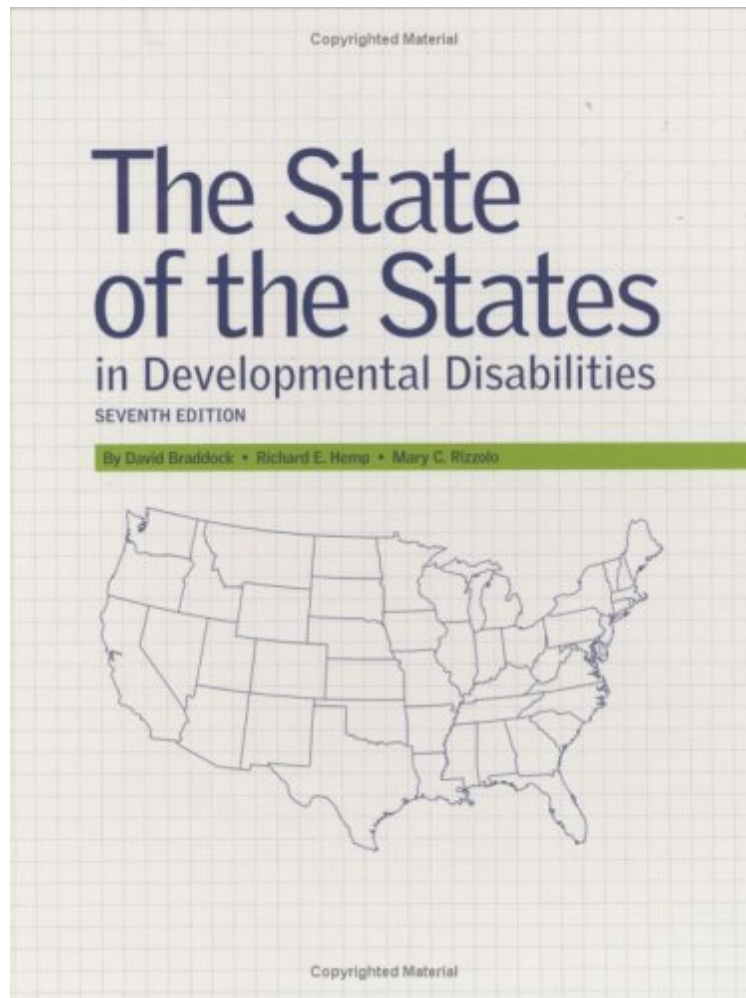


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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. When Freedom is Not FreeBy William CookeWhen the economy is tough, and your cause is just, where can you go to get the hard core facts?"The State of the States in Developmental Disabilities" is one of the indispensable reference texts of the intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) field. Dr. David L. Braddock, and his colleagues Richard E. Hemp and Mary C. Rizzolo, present over thirty years of I/DD trends in spending, revenue, residential services, individual and family support, and more.Today, as lawmakers at every level of government wrestle with fiscal imperatives, the I/DD field is changing fast. Governing agencies that provide oversight, underwrite, fund and regulate are transforming their systems at every level to maximize efficiencies

and reduce risk. The larger voluntary providers are trying to maximize every opportunity; smaller voluntary providers are just trying to hang on, utilize their limited resources well, and understand it all. Individuals with developmental disabilities and their families are straining to be heard, to receive the supports and services they need -- and by right deserve. What do the trends tell us? Where are we headed? Are we prepared? Are we doing enough? Whom are we serving? How are we serving them? Which supports and services are the most cost efficient? What is likely to be supported when some taxpayers inevitably complain they're paying too much - and what is likely to be cut? America has not always held the self-evident truth that those with intellectual and developmental disabilities are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights. Nor has it fulfilled the promise of "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness" to those in its population who have intellectual and developmental disabilities. Too often, the States have shown quite the opposite. This is still true, in varying degrees. Only in recent decades has the majority of American citizens finally accepted that those with intellectual and developmental disabilities not only have the RIGHT TO LIVE in the community, but CAN. So how is this to be accomplished? Are we managing supports and services well? What about assistive and smart home technologies? Simply put: how is it all to be funded? When federal, state, and local legislators, advocates, and professionals in the I/DD field need to know what is happening, where, "The State of the States" is the place they begin. "The State of the States" offers national and state-by-state profiles of the most relevant and recent data available. If you are someone whose eyes gloss over at rows upon rows of numbers, try not to be put off by the charts and graphs. They are, after all, the point. They may give you cause to pause or make your argument that much stronger. Braddock offers authoritative, highly referenced, context to summarize all the data (you will also find an excellent bibliography). There is no doubt that we live at a time when change is occurring at a blurring pace. Use "State of the States in Developmental Disabilities" to be informed, stay ahead, and advocate well.

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By G. P. Majercik Very satisfied in that the edition is the most recent. A nice surprise as I have a older hard back copy which has information that needs an update to it, and this is the best update one could find.

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By KTHom23 State of the States on Disabilities provides volumes of state specific data that is ideal for grant research, advocacy education and legislative efforts. Superb resource well worth the investment!!

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- Disability funding
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- Quality of life
- Health

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