

# Cuomo's Corrupt Mental Health System is a Predators Dream

*Almost any crime can be committed and disappear internally within New York State's extremely dangerous and deadly system rampant with sexual abuse and death*

DELMAR, NEW YORK, UNITED STATES, February 23, 2017 /EINPresswire.com/ -- AP News just reported on a disgusting case in which a New York State caregiver was molesting a disabled child in a State run group home for years. Thankfully, there was some measure of justice in this case, but most are being covered-up by Governor Cuomo's wrongfully named Justice Center which is keeping most reported sexual assault crimes from local police and County elected District Attorney's. Here is the story followed by another horrific one as well; "New York to pay \$3M to family of boy molested at group home"

<http://www.nydailynews.com/new-york/new-york-pay-3m-family-boy-molested-group-home-article-1.2977392> . The convicted pedophile in this story repeatedly molested a developmentally disabled boy in his care as he worked for New York State. In his own words he said where he worked was "a predator's dream." He also said, "The lack of supervision there made it easy to do what I did," DeProspero said in a handwritten affidavit obtained by The Associated Press. "I could have stayed in that house for years and abused him every day without anybody even noticing at all. It was a predator's dream."

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New York State's system is made up of thousands of State run and privately operated facilities and group homes and the rampant sexual abuse and deaths occurring in these facilities can easily be dramatically reduced, but not if basic prevention measures continue to be ignored. The award winning New York Times "Abused & Used" investigative reporting series [http://www.nytimes.com/interactive/nyregion/abused-and-used-series-page.html?\\_r=0](http://www.nytimes.com/interactive/nyregion/abused-and-used-series-page.html?_r=0) which was a runner up for a Pulitzer Prize, exposed New York State's extremely dangerous and deadly system in 2011. Governor Cuomo was already aware of the severe problems because it was brought to his attention many times while he was the NYS Attorney

General. Governor Cuomo had every opportunity to right many wrongs and bring about great reforms, but instead he chose to continue to cover-up most of the damages and loss of lives. The very first NY Times investigative report that came out in March of 2011, two months after Cuomo became Governor, details how a sexual predator was caught in the act and that he was still protected and shielded by the State <http://www.nytimes.com/2011/03/13/nyregion/13homes.html> . Here is the extremely disturbing quote from this investigative report; "At a home upstate in Hudson Falls, two days before Christmas in 2006, an employee discovered her supervisor, Ricky W. Sousie, in the bedroom of a severely disabled, 54-year-old woman. Mr. Sousie, a stocky man with wispy hair, was standing between the woman's legs. His pants were around his ankles, his hand was on her knee and her diaper was pulled down. The police were called, and semen was found on the victim. But the state did not seek to discipline Mr. Sousie. Instead, it transferred him to work at another home." Pretty graphic, but this type of evil must come out into the light and dramatic steps must be taken to prevent these horrible sex crimes and rapes of disabled men, women, boys and girls whom are extremely vulnerable and in most cases cannot defend themselves. Bypassing 911 and local police is how New York State currently gets away with covering-up thousands of crimes and deaths annually. Governor Cuomo has refused to take vital basic emergency actions to protect disabled children and adults from premature death, sexual abuse and rape. You can also take the CNN investigative report titled, "Sick, Dying and Raped in America's Nursing Homes"

<http://cnnpressroom.blogs.cnn.com/2017/02/22/sick-dying-and-raped-in-americas-nursing-homes-a-cnn-investigation/> and simply change the words America to New York State and Nursing Homes to Mental Health Facilities and Group Homes, the similarities are almost identical. New York State documents obtained through Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) reveal staggering numbers of deaths and sexual assaults in these facilities. These massive problems cannot continue to be pushed aside and ignored by the Governor of New York State. At the same time this is happening, Governor Cuomo has claimed publicly saying "I am disabled" <http://newyork.cbslocal.com/2017/01/29/cuomo-travel-ban-hotline/> which is obviously not true, but he was using it, along with other statements, to say that he is fighting for people with disabilities and their rights, which also sadly not true.

The sheer staggering numbers of reported deaths and sexual assaults in these State and private facilities and group homes throughout New York State speak volumes. The truth is, we have severe systemic failures and very ugly things are happening behind these closed doors and many innocent and extremely vulnerable people with disabilities are dying and being raped as a result. State documents reveal that 11-12 deaths on average are reported a day and 1,300 sexual assaults within the Office of People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) system alone on average every year or close to four a day. Most of the deaths are covered-up because Governor Cuomo's Justice Center is not notifying County elected District Attorney's and Medical Examiners or Coroners of most of these deaths. It is hard to fathom that they continue to get away with this evil and these crimes as I continue to expose it and shout it from the rooftops, but hopefully it will be stopped soon.

There are basic safety and abuse prevention measures that will make the system much better and safer and dramatically reduce the staggering numbers of deaths and sexual abuse crimes occurring in these facilities, but Governor Cuomo has refused to take action. Surveillance cameras must finally be installed within all mental health facilities and group homes, as well as all transport vehicles, this is vital to prevent these deaths, crimes and to hold sexual predators accountable. Immediate and direct reporting by mandated reporters to 911 and not a State whitewash/cover-up entity is not only critical to hold criminals accountable, but will also save many lives. No longer can New York State continue to deny innocent and extremely vulnerable children and adults with disabilities living outside their family's home 911 emergency first responder medical and police services and assistance, this is discrimination and in many cases it is deadly. Bypassing local authorities, laws in place for everyone and local courts also denies this specific group of people their 14th Amendment right to "equal protection of laws."

No longer can Governor Cuomo treat the disabled as sub-human beings denying them their basic rights to 911 emergency services, denying them equal protection of laws and denying them justice. Stand with us for "equal rights" and "civil rights" for people with disabilities in New York State and

throughout our great country by signing our petition at [www.jonathancareyfoundation.org](http://www.jonathancareyfoundation.org). No longer can 911 be bypassed. 911 call systems must be immediately called by all mandated reporters regarding all physical and sexual abuse, gross negligence of care, significant and suspicious injuries and when a person with a disability is in medical distress or has stopped breathing.  
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