Supplementary Materials

Appendix A Supplemental Analyses Sorted by Time Period Only

While our analysis compares states that never updated their CSCs to those that did, some states in the former group issued CSCs relatively late in the pandemic and were thus exposed to models and activist pressure early states were not. As we discussed in our limitations section, the inclusion of early and late never-updated states in the same category in our main analysis may mean that we understate the extent of CSC policy evolution by using both early and late never-updated plans as a point of comparison with updated plans. To address this, we provide analyses showing change over time in both our Disability Rights Index Score and the individual categories within it in this online appendix. These reflect similar results showing greater alignment with disability rights priorities over time, beginning from a worse pre-pandemic baseline. Because we do not distinguish between updated and non-updated plans in this supplemental analysis, we make use of all 58 plans in our data, not just the most recent for each state.

Figure A1 Disability rights index scores by time period as of January 2021 (N=58).
Figure A2 CSC provisions by time period as of January 2021 (N=58).
Appendix B  Codebook for CSC Data

Our data is available in a .csv file as part of our Online Appendix. We reflect a basic codebook for each variable here.

state – State CSC Issued
month – Month CSC Issued. This is only reflected for 2020 and 2021 CSCs. Where two CSCs were issued in the same state in the same month, we also provide a date.
year – Year CSC Issued.
date – Date CSC Issued in MMDDYY format
version – Version of the state’s CSC within our data set
name – Composite of State, Year and (for 2020 and 2021 plans) Month
longtermsurvival – Variable reflecting long-term survival status (including prohibits)
inclongtermsurvival – Indicator variable reflecting if plan includes long-term survival
nolongtermsurvival – Indicator variable reflecting if plan does not include long-term survival
drmlongtermsurvival – Value of Long-Term Survival in Disability Rights Index Score
shorttermtool – Variable reflecting which tool plan uses to assess short-term mortality risk
resourceintensity – Variable reflecting resource-intensity status (including prohibits)
incresourceintensity – Indicator variable reflecting if plan includes resource-intensity
drmresourceintensity – Value of Resource-Intensity in Disability Rights Index Score
reasonmods – Variable reflecting presence or absence of reasonable modifications
reallocation – Variable reflecting whether plan permits reallocation of ventilators or other scarce resources
chronicprotect – Variable reflecting whether personal ventilators of chronic ventilator users are protected from reallocation

catexclusions – Variable reflecting presence or absence of categorical exclusions

nocatexclusions – Variable reflecting presence or absence of categorical exclusions

drindex2 – Disability Rights Index Score

period – Variable reflecting time period plan issued