

Cecilia Zalkind, President & CEO Advocates for Children of New Jersey

Cecilia Zalkind has advocated for children in New Jersey for more than 40 years. As President and CEO of Advocates for Children of NJ, she has led an ambitious agenda that has secured measurable gains for children in many areas of child wellbeing, including early education, health, nutrition, child welfare and juvenile justice. Her passionate advocacy on behalf of children has resulted in significant policy victories

so that children in NJ have the opportunity to grow up safe, healthy and educated. She is currently heading ACNJ's Think Babies Initiative to ensure that children, from birth to age 3, have access to services to support their healthy growth and development. Cecilia holds a B.A. and M.A. from New York University and a J.D. from Rutgers Law School.