



Partners in Policymaking is a leadership training program for adults with developmental disabilities and parents of children with developmental disabilities.

Our Goal

- Help participants better understand the history of developmental disabilities and the disability movement.
- Help participants understand their or their child's rights as well as State and Federal laws supporting those rights.
- Assist participants in becoming knowledgeable, confident, and effective advocates.
- Educate participants about the legislative process at the local, state, and federal level.
- Educate participants on how to contact and develop positive and lasting relationships with policymakers.
- Educate participants on how to advocate for systems change that will increase opportunities as well as independence, productivity, and inclusion for people with developmental disabilities.

Our Commitment

- Provide best practice information from national and state experts in the disability field.
- Reimburse participants for respite, personal assistance, and child care services.

Your Commitment

- Attend and participate in all eight virtual two-day training sessions.
- Advocate for policies, services, and supports that enable people with developmental disabilities to be independent, productive, and included in the communities of their choice.
- Motivate others to participate in the training to become more effective advocates.

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