



MISSION

To improve the quality of life for people with developmental disabilities and their families



ABOUT THE COUNCIL

The Council is a Governor-appointed board to promote:

- ♦ Advocacy and leadership skills for people with developmental disabilities to increase their independence, self-determination, and inclusion in their communities
- ♦ Programs to address the needs of people with developmental disabilities, such as new or improved services and supports, or elimination of barriers to access services
- ♦ Purposeful collaboration and coordination among agencies
- ♦ Community outreach, training, resources, and support
- ♦ Policymaker and public information

More than 60 percent of the Council's membership consists of people with developmental disabilities and family members. State agency and other organizational representatives also serve as members.

The Council implements a Five-Year State Plan to address needs of people with developmental disabilities and their families. The Council supports programs to show innovative ways that people with developmental disabilities can work, play, and learn in their communities.



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