

State Councils on Developmental Disabilities

Fiscal Year 2005 Performance Highlights

The Administration on Developmental Disabilities (ADD) funds State Councils on Developmental Disabilities (Councils) in each U.S. State and territory to expand and advance the equality of civil and human rights for people with developmental disabilities. Councils work to remove barriers to inclusion in all areas of life, so that people with developmental disabilities have access to the same education, employment, housing and opportunities as the general populace. The following list is a partial summary of the ways in which Councils furthered their mission in Fiscal Year 2005.

Employment: Expanding the availability of job training, equal employment information, inclusive work environments, and job placement for people with developmental disabilities.

- 40 Councils reporting on this priority made employment more available or obtainable for 3,838 people with developmental disabilities.

Education: Maximizing student potential to obtain the most complete education, in the most inclusive environment possible.

- 35 Councils increased the knowledge, capabilities, and self-advocacy skills of 19,803 students with developmental disabilities and their families, to ensure the schools they attend are providing inclusive, appropriate, and local educational opportunities.

Health: Expanding the access to and availability of health, dental, psychiatric and counseling services, and other human and social services.

- 23 Councils increased health care availability for 25,180 individuals by educating health professionals on the needs of people with developmental disabilities, teaching self advocacy, and encouraging facility accessibility conversions.

Housing: Promoting the rights of persons with developmental disabilities to make decisions about where and with whom they want to live.

- 23 Councils made housing more accessible for 2,400 people with developmental disabilities by participating in deinstitutionalization efforts, and ensuring that those with independence can continue to maintain it.

Child Care: Expanding the availability of flexible, affordable, appropriate child care with accessible facilities for children with developmental disabilities.

- 13 Councils worked to increase availability of quality child care for 3,092 children with developmental disabilities and for families who needed accessible child care.

Transportation: Maximizing the availability of accessible transportation for people with disabilities.

- 23 Councils created programs aimed at more and better transportation options that helped 15,766 people with developmental disabilities get to work, school, church, health appointments, and other important needs and services, furthering their independence.

Recreation: Working to increase the capacity for inclusion of people with developmental disabilities in community activities, public events, and social gatherings.

- 21 Councils facilitated participation or inclusion allowing 8,305 individuals with developmental disabilities to participate in events or social gatherings they chose.

Quality Assurance: Ensuring the right of people with developmental disabilities to make choices for their lives through training in leadership and self-advocacy.

- 45 Councils advanced quality assurance for 79,139 people with developmental disabilities, increasing their safety or personal welfare, and maintaining their personal authority through training in self advocacy, information dissemination and public awareness.

Formal/Informal Community Support: Enhancing the community's ability to include people with developmental disabilities in society over the long term.

- 41 Councils' efforts led to 45,567 people with developmental disabilities and their families taking advantage of services available in the community.

Please note: These outcome measures form a representative sample of 77 outcome measures listed in the Council's Program Performance Reports. Councils determine the issue area and corresponding outcome measures that will best serve the needs of their consumer population.

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