## In Partnership and Perseverance:

An Overview on the State Council on Developmental Disabilities

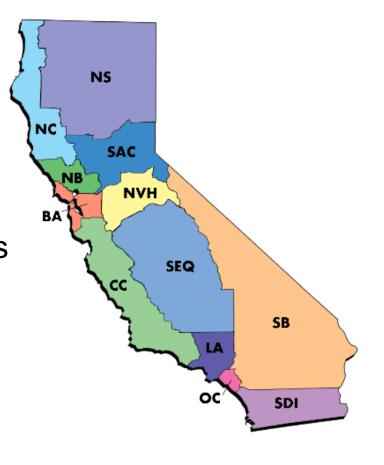


### **Your California State Council**

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD) is established by state and federal law as an independent state department.

#### **Our Mission**

The Council advocates, promotes and implements policies and practices that achieve self-determination, independence, productivity, and inclusion in all aspects of community life for Californians with developmental disabilities and their families.





## California State Council Funding Sources: Fed & State

- Led by people with I/DD and their families
- 31 Governor's Appointees
- Authority to
  - Advocate, capacity build, change systems
- Work statewide and locally, lifespan needs
- The Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000
- Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Services Act





## **Council Members from CA Agencies**

























# The State Council's Work: Advocacy, Capacity Building, Systems Change

- Systems navigation, technical assistance, consult
- Coalitions and Committees
- Trainings / Education & Outreach
- Welfare & Institutions Code §§ 4541, subd.
  (a) 42 U.S.C. § 15001 et seq Authorized
  Representation
- Grants & Sponsorships
- Policy, legislation, implementation





### **State Council Regional Offices**



- Connect people to needed services and supports
  - Systems navigation, inform about rights & resources, etc.
- Strive to improve services and supports
  - Review policies and practices, identify services needed but not available, monitor legislation. Help build capacity
- Help people become part of their communities
  - Encourage and assist various advocacy organizations, educate the public, help the community engage in systems change work and leadership development



## The State Council's Regional Advisory Committees (RAC)

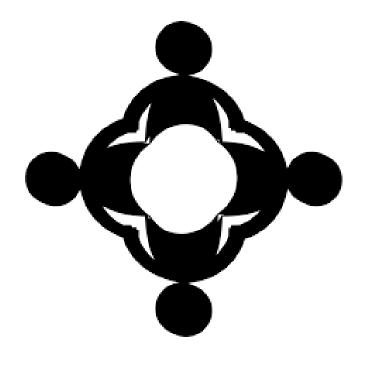
- One in every State Council Region (12)
- Advises SCDD and its Regional Office on local issues & input regarding local systemic needs within the RAC's community
- Public awareness and outreach of state plan identified areas
- Representative of the diversity of the region

Join us at an upcoming meeting! <a href="https://scdd.ca.gov/bayarea/">https://scdd.ca.gov/bayarea/</a>



# **Examples of Capacity Building & Advocacy**

- Helping people with information and resources so they can become their own best advocate
- Helping professionals and services better serve and support community members with disabilities
- Done through trainings and technical assistance (i.e. 1:1 support)





## **Examples of the State Council's CA Contracts**

**National Core Indicators:** Collects quantitative data on satisfaction, services, and outcomes from people their families that use the intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) system in CA.

Clients' Rights Advocacy (CRA): At state developmental centers and staterun community facilities. Responsible for ensuring that rights of each resident are guaranteed, protected, and asserted.

**Volunteer Advocacy Services (VAS):** For residents at state developmental centers who have no involved family, advocates, or legal conservators. Provides advocacy assistance, represent the interests and wishes of the person-served, to the extent that the person is unable to for themselves.



## Who & How: Summary of 2023 Activities

- System Navigation:
  - 19,900 people attended SCDD trainings
  - 5,200 advised on solving their individual problems (TA)
- Systems Change and Advocacy:
  - 84,000 people reached directly
  - Community Collaborations with over 850 partners
  - 1,900 activities to target disparities
  - Training and resources in 15 languages
  - Systems change and advocacy work impacted 5.9 million Californians



### Who We're Proud to Serve

- Self-advocates / Californians with I/DD
  - Those that meet the state or the fed definition of I/DD
  - 39% White, 25% Hispanic or Latino, 11% Black or African American, 10% Asian, 8% Multi-racial, 6% American Indian or Alaska Native, 1% Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- Family advocates & allies
- Professionals, Public & Private sector agencies that serve Californians



### Who We're Proud to Serve (Cont.)

- Underserved communities and/or those at greater risk of discrimination and systemic barriers
  - E.g., Californians with multiple disabilities, including mental health / psychiatric disabilities; those who are unhoused or at risk of being unhoused; LGBTQIA+; elders; Veterans; rural communities; tribal communities; non-English language communities; and more



### **Systems Navigation Trends**

Top 5 areas of requested systems navigation & technical assistance last year:

- Regional Center
- Generic services / community services & supports
- Education systems
- Self-Determination Program
- Health & healthcare systems



Many requests are multi-systems and complex...



# State Council on Developmental Disabilities' Regional Offices (1 of 2)

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