What is the Maryland Developmental Disabilities Council?

We are an organization in Maryland.

We work to make life better for people with developmental disabilities and their families.

We want people with developmental disabilities to have good lives.
Intellectual disability, autism, and cerebral palsy are examples of developmental disabilities.

People with developmental disabilities and their family members are leaders in our organization.

Most people call us the DD Council.

What does the DD Council do?

We make sure laws and policies in Maryland help people with developmental disabilities.

- Laws and policies are rules we have to follow.
- For example, they tell us what services people can get to help them at home, in school, and in the community.
We help make services better. When services are better:

- More families get good support for their children with developmental disabilities.
- More adults with developmental disabilities get to live where they want, get a job, and do what they want in their community.

We train people with disabilities and their families to be advocates.

- This means they speak up for what they want. They get people and organizations to do things that are good for people with disabilities.

We give people with disabilities and their families information. The information helps them:

- Understand their rights
- Find the services and supports they need
- Have a good life

Do you want more information?

Go to our website at md-council.org

Call us at 410-767-3670 or 800-305-6441