



**Maryland Developmental  
Disabilities Council**

## **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.**

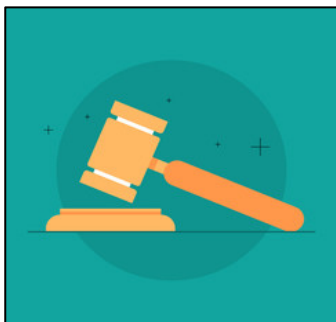


**People with developmental disabilities and their family members are leaders in our organization.**



**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?**



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