



# DISABILITY RIGHTS

PENNSYLVANIA



## Protecting and Advancing the Rights of People with Disabilities

### Disability Rights Pennsylvania Can Help

Disability Rights Pennsylvania helps people with disabilities in many areas such as abuse and neglect, access to community services, discrimination, ADA compliance issues, education, assistive technology, voting access, and access to Medical Assistance services. We help people with developmental disabilities, physical and sensory disabilities, brain injury, and people in mental health recovery.

### Services We Provide

- Information, referral, and short-term advocacy;
- Advocacy assistance for people with disabilities facing abuse, neglect, and rights violations;
- Advocacy to promote inclusion and full participation in the community;
- Advocacy in special education matters and to promote inclusive educational practices and programs;
- Legal advice and representation;
- Systemic policy advocacy;
- Training and education on disability issues, services, and rights to empower people with disabilities to achieve their goals; and
- Technical assistance and information to groups interested in advocacy through the Disability Advocacy Support Hub (DASH).

### Priorities

- Protect and advocate for persons with disabilities who are subject to abuse and neglect.
- Eliminate the unnecessary institutionalization and segregation of persons with disabilities.
- Promote an array of quality consumer-controlled, consumer-driven, person-centered, and recovery-oriented services to enable adults and children with disabilities to live and thrive in their own homes, schools, workplaces, and communities.
- Eliminate discrimination on the basis of disability.

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## About Disability Rights Pennsylvania

Disability Rights Pennsylvania (DRP) is a statewide, non-profit corporation designated as the organization to advance and protect the civil rights of adults and children with disabilities. Disability Rights Pennsylvania works with people with disabilities, families, organizations, and advocates to ensure that people with disabilities can live in their communities free of discrimination, abuse, and neglect. Disability Rights Pennsylvania identifies systemic issues that are important to people with disabilities and seeks change and reform through litigation, public policy advocacy, administrative advocacy, and public education.

## Our Mission

Disability Rights Pennsylvania protects and advocates for rights of people with disabilities so that they may live the lives they choose, free from abuse, neglect, discrimination, and segregation.

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