

Building the Next Generation of Leaders

Partners in Policymaking® is a national leadership training program for **people with developmental disabilities** and **parents of young children with developmental disabilities**. It provides the most current information about disability issues and develops the competencies necessary for effective advocacy to inform public policy at all levels of government.

Productive Partnerships

The goal of Partners in Policymaking® is to achieve productive partnerships between people needing and using services and those who make public policy and laws. It is designed to provide participants with knowledge and skills that enable them to effectively advocate for improving the system of services for people with developmental disabilities in Louisiana.

Partners in Training

Participants attend weekend training sessions each month from January through June. Weekend sessions begin Friday at 12:00 p.m. and conclude at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday afternoon.

Participants are expected to complete assignments between sessions and commit to one major assignment.

Lodging and meals during the session are provided. Reimbursement for respite care and attendant service is available for qualifying participants.



Graduates Are...

- DD Council members
- School Board members
- State and Regional Advisory Council Members
- Families Helping Families Executive Directors
- Regional Advocacy Leaders
- Non-profit Board Members
- Bold advocates in their communities

Graduates Say...

“The knowledge and self-confidence I gained in six months is just what I needed to set forth on the journey to change so many broken systems for individuals with developmental disabilities and their families.”

“Partners has given me the knowledge, confidence and ability to advocate for ALL individuals with disabilities. The quality of training I received is priceless.”

“An amazing, empowering program for advocates who wish to learn their way through the legal, moral, and ethical maze the government and different programs stick our families in.”

An Invitation to Apply

The Louisiana DD Council is seeking motivated individuals to become candidates for Partners in Policymaking® in January.



Apply online!!
www.laddc.org

Applications must be submitted by **September 30th**. For more information, contact the Council at: (225) 342-6804
(800) 450-8108



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2017 Graduating Class

**An Experience That
Will Change Your Life!**

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***Now recruiting for
next year's class***