

Advocacy Groups

Advocacy and Benefits Counseling for Health, Inc.

ABC is a Wisconsin-based, nonprofit public interest law firm dedicated to ensuring health care access for children and families, particularly those with special needs or who are at risk.
(608) 261-6939

www.safetyweb.org

The Arc – Dane County

Advocacy, family support & education on behalf of people with developmental disabilities & their families.

(608) 251-9738

www.arcdanecounty.org

The Arc – Wisconsin Disability Association

Advocating & promoting quality-of-life opportunities for people with developmental disabilities & their families.

(608) 251-9272

www.arc-wisconsin.org

Autism Speaks

Has grown into the world's leading autism science and advocacy organization, dedicated to funding research into the causes, prevention, treatments; increasing awareness of autism spectrum disorders; and advocating for the needs of individuals.

www.autismspeaks.org

The Wisconsin Board for People with Developmental Disabilities (WBPDD)

Was established to advocate on behalf of individuals with developmental disabilities, foster welcoming and inclusive communities, and improve the disability service system.

(608) 888-332-1677

www.wi-bpdd.org

Citizen Advocacy

Initiates and supports one-to-one, voluntary advocacy relationships for people with developmental disabilities in Dane County; a program of the Community Action Coalition for South Central Wisconsin, Inc.

(608) 246-4730

www.cacscw.org

Disability Advocates: Wisconsin Network (DAWN)

DAWN is a statewide grassroots cross-disability network of people who care about disability issues. Supports legislative change in the programs and systems affecting people with all disabilities. Focuses on the most important issues affecting all people with disabilities. It includes people with disabilities, family members, friends, service providers and others who are committed to enhancing the lives of people with disabilities.

(608) 266-7826

www.dawninfo.org

InControl Wisconsin

Provides a series of employment planning modules for people with disabilities and those who support them. This series was designed to help people think about their integrated employment options, understand employment supports, and create a plan to achieve their integrated employment options.

(608) 719-7256

www.incontrolwisconsin.org

The Wisconsin **Let's Get to Work project** is a five-year, national systems change grant that will lead to improved community employment outcomes for youth with intellectual and developmental disabilities in transition. Funded by the Administration on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities the project focuses on improving, developing and implementing policies and practices that raise community expectations and overall employment outcomes for youth with intellectual/developmental disabilities.

www.letsgettoworkwi.org

Parents As Leaders

PALs is an opportunity for parents of children with special needs birth through six years of age to grow as leaders. This program is designed for parents/caregivers who are ready to become leaders and advocates in their communities.

www.waisman.wisc.edu/pals/

Parents in Partnership

PIP is a statewide program in which a group of parents and other caregivers meet together to share their family stories, challenges, joys and triumphs of raising their children. At PIP participants will learn about community and statewide resources for children with disabilities; explore issues around health, education, policy making, legislation, inclusion, self-determination, family well-being, and IDEA Special Education Law.

(877) 844-4925

<http://wspei.org/families/pip.php>

Social Security Disability Resource Center

The goal of SSDRC.COM, is to inform readers about how the Social Security Disability and SSI Disability process works from start to finish.

www.ssdrc.com

Wisconsin Family Assistance Center for Education, Training & Support (WI FACETS)

is a nonprofit organization serving Wisconsin children and adults with disabilities, their families and those who support them. We were founded in 1995 by parents who believed that parents are the best advocates for their children. WI FACETS operates these programs to help parents support and enrich their children's lives.

(877) 374-0511

www.wifacets.org