



People with developmental disabilities are valued members of their communities and are involved and participating based on their own choice.

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Arizona Department of Economic Security Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD)

“Supporting Tomorrow’s Vision Today”

Credo

To support the choices of people with developmental disabilities and their families by promoting and providing flexible, quality, person-driven services and supports within communities.

We Value

- The development and fostering of personal relationships with family and friends.
- The rights of all individuals and the preservation of their worth, value and dignity.
- Equal access to quality services and supports for all individuals.
- Individual and family initiative in making choices and expressing preferences.
- Individual freedom from abuse, neglect and exploitation with a balance between individual safety and the right to make choices and experience life.
- A diverse workforce that is motivated, skilled, and knowledgeable and uses the most effective practices known.
- An environment rich in diversity in which each person is respected and has the opportunity to reach their optimal potential.
- An individual's right to choose to participate in and contribute to all aspects of home and community life.

Overview

In the annual report *Case for Inclusion, 2015*, compiled by United Cerebral Palsy (UCP), Arizona ranked first as the nation's "Best Performing" state when it comes to key outcomes for citizens with developmental disabilities. Arizona has ranked first seven times since the annual survey started in 2006.

The UCP report also recognizes Arizona for being a family-focused state, where support services are provided to families who are caring for children with disabilities in the home, which keeps families together and people living with a disability at home in their community.

As reported in the *The State of the States in Developmental Disabilities, Tenth Edition, 2015* and the *Case for Inclusion, 2015*, compiled by United Cerebral Palsy (UCP), Arizona ranks very high in the:

- number of citizens with developmental disabilities it serves as a percentage of the general population.
- number of individuals served in the most integrated setting.
- keeping families together (first among states).
- percentage of people living in their own homes or settings of six or less (second among states).

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