



## Improve Services for Youth with DD in Foster Care

### Problem:

There are children and youth with developmental disabilities (DD) in the Title IV-E foster care system who could be better served. There are concerns about how the lack of DDA-paid services might disadvantage youth with DD while they are in Title IV-E foster care placements and while they are transitioning from a foster care setting to an adult residential setting.

The DD Ombuds gathered information about how other states serve children with developmental disabilities in foster care in its report [“Improving Services for Youth with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities in Foster Care.”](#)

### Proposal:

The legislature can direct the DDA and DCYF to identify gaps in services for these children and report back to the legislature with a plan to improve services for children and youth with DD.

### Questions or comments?

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