



Allies in Advocacy 2025 Priorities

State Priorities

- 1. Allies will Educate Various Communities about the need for Supportive Decision-Making Services:** We believe people with intellectual and developmental disabilities should be presumed competent and never have all their rights taken from them.
- 2. Allies provides technical assistance to self-advocate organizations:** We work with and assist Self-Advocates in Leadership, the Shut Them Down Coalition, and People First of Washington in their efforts to pass legislation and make lives better for those with I/DD.
- 3. Washington State Residents deserve better housing opportunities:** Allies want to see accessible, affordable, barrier-free housing in all communities that are safe for all residents. With the necessary supports provided, Allies desire to see various types of accessible and or barrier-free housing.
- 4. It's time to improve our provider pool!** Allies in Advocacy believe people with disabilities need high-quality provider support so we can lead meaningful lives in our communities. This means we will advocate for higher, improved pay and improved trainings for all providers.
- 5. Improving relationships with medical and dental professionals:** Allies believe we need to help improve the relationship between people with disabilities and all first responders and medical and dental professionals.
- 6. Accountability is key:** Allies will fight to create more accountability for State and local administration/organizations/businesses that serve people with disabilities.
- 7. Nothing About Us Without Us:** Allies will be following how the implementation of the Nothing About Us Without Us Act is being implemented and helping locate people with disabilities to serve on Taskforces and Workgroups

Federal Priority

- 1. Self-Advocate Network Partner:** Allies and our state partners are advocating for a change to the federal DD Act, that would add an official state partner for self-advocacy of those with I/DD.

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