

2022 Congressional Candidate Questionnaire

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1. If you have a personal connection or professional experience with someone who has a intellectual/developmental disability (I/DD), would you describe its impact on you?

Senator Murray has decades of experience working with advocates from the I/DD community given her leadership on the Senate HELP committee. She prioritizes understanding the community's lived experience and appreciates the impact of their advocacy.



2. Home and Community Based Services expansion is a top priority for people with intellectual/developmental disabilities (IDD) and their families. HR 4131/S 2210 will expand HCBS. Will you support or oppose expansion of this critical program? Please explain why.

Senator Murray is a co-sponsor of this bill and supportive of expanding community based services.

3. Will you support or oppose HR 4131/S 2065: Updates eligibility for the supplemental security income program and HR 761: Marriage Access for People with Special Abilities Act excludes a spouse's income and resources when determining eligibility for SSI, and disregards marital status when calculating the SSI benefit amount, for an adult who has a diagnosed IDD? Please explain why.

Senator Murray is a co-sponsor of this bill and supportive of updating the SSI program.

4. Do you support or oppose HR 3474/S 1858: Keeping All Students Safe Act - Prohibit and prevent seclusion, mechanical restraint, chemical restraint, and dangerous restraints that restrict breathing, and to prevent and reduce the use of physical restraint in schools? Please explain why.

Senator Murray is the co-lead of the Keeping All Students Safe act and supportive of preventing the use of restraints in school.

If there is other information you'd like constituents with intellectual/developmental disabilities and their family and friends to know, please share it here.

Senator Murray was a leading voice in Congress pushing for a bold investment to expand home- and community-based services (HCBS) to ensure older adults and people with disabilities get the care they need, and ensure caregivers get the pay and benefits they deserve. While the existing reconciliation package has been significantly revised in scope, Senator Murray will continue to fight for progress on these kinds of investments however possible.

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