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Public Policy Committee

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Our Community Includes Everyone



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Disabilities Council



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Purpose:

Advocate for public policy that is responsive to the needs of people with disabilities. These efforts work toward people becoming independent members of the community. In addition to advocating for and promoting independence, the Committee offers advice and direction to the Council on public policy issues and concerns. Guiding the Committee are numerous objectives, including providing a forum for sound public policy; educating policymakers, advocates and consumers; and networking and collaboration throughout Michigan.

What we do:

The Public Policy committee (PPC) addresses a variety of issues and shapes broad policies for the Council. This is achieved by working with other Council work groups, committees and advocacy groups utilizing their expertise. A result is integrated public policy that has positive impact on people with disabilities.

The PPC also leads in monitoring and responding to federal, state and local public policies. The goal is to share timely and accurate information with the council, its RICCs, work groups and committees.

- PPC meetings include lively and informative discussions. Critical analyses are provided to the Council for possible action, including position papers and other forms of advocacy. The Committee monitors issues through websites and other media. Members also maintain dialogue with advocates and friends in the disability community.
- The PPC has established itself as a hub for current and vital information. Collaborating organizations and those with special interest provide regular information and data on issues important to the Committee and Council.
- The PPC practices creative and successful methods of outreach to people with disabilities, with special emphasis on those within minority cultures. We educate RICC members to convey advocacy messages to their legislators on key issues, culminating in an annual legislative event. They tell their personal stories and network.

Why you should join:

There are many people with disabilities whose concerns, needs and ideas have yet to be heard. We believe we are on the cutting edge of the issues that confound systems change in Michigan. We are committed to making a difference. Are you interested in lending your voice and energy to the Committee's activities? Contact us at the phone number or through the website on the back of this brochure.

