

CCDD promotes policies and solutions that advance the well-being of all Kentuckians with Intellectual and/or Developmental Disabilities (I/DD), their families, and all who love them, by supporting and advancing policies that create and maintain true community inclusion, such as:

**Dignity in  
Healthcare**

All individuals should have access to high quality healthcare that respects the person's dignity and is based on principles of nondiscrimination.



**Supported  
Decision Making**

SDM principles allow individuals to stay in control of their lives while receiving the help and assistance they need to do so, thus reducing the need for full guardianship.

**Employment**

Individuals with I/DD should have opportunities to pursue and retain competitive, integrated employment; creating value for themselves and their communities



**Long-Term  
Services & Support**

Home & Community Based Waiver Services (HCBS) support the ability of individuals to live life on their own terms, are more cost effective than institutions, and promote self-determination.

**Education**

Inclusive education policies, starting with early childcare settings and continuing through postsecondary education, are necessary to assist Kentuckians with I/DD in reaching their full potential.



**Transportation**

Reliable, accessible, and affordable access to transportation is critical to ensure people with I/DD are fully included in all aspects of their community of choice.



**Independent &  
Accessible Living**

Individuals with I/DD have a right to live independently in safe, accessible, and affordable housing in their community of choice.



**Civil Rights**

All people, regardless of ability, are entitled to equal human and civil rights.

