

Healthcare Student Training

Increasing Disability Awareness in the Medical Community

How do we ensure that the medical community has the training to serve people with Intellectual or Developmental Disabilities (IDD)?

What does a well-trained healthcare professional look like to you?



What is Healthcare Student Training about?

Everyone should receive competent and compassionate healthcare to reach their highest level of wellness. The work of this project is to find ways to facilitate a well-trained medical community. To do that, we will look at:

- Where healthcare professionals are trained.
- The disability training they currently receive.
- Ways we can work together with schools to increase training so that you can receive healthcare that is competent and compassionate.



Our Goals

Our goal is to report to the governor and legislature recommendations on how training could be improved for healthcare students. To do this, we will:

- Listen to you and others with IDD (and families) to better understand your current challenges and vision for the future.
- Identify healthcare professionals you would recommend to others in the disability community and why you recommend them.
- Identify and collaborate with training programs on ways to increase disability awareness.
- Suggest possible solutions to expand specialty training on disabilities.



Comments

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