



Maine Developmental Disabilities Council - DD and Dementia Project

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Connecting to the LEND Mission:

Interdisciplinary work on projects.

Leadership skills and knowledge of disability policy on a national level.

Fair treatment of all individuals with disabilities.

Step One - undertake analysis of the current system of care to individuals with DD and dementia.

Step Two - map out major administrative, legislative, regulatory, and best practices in care and support.

Step Three - identify resources, review research, gather data, attend stakeholder meetings, resource inventory.

Achievements: leadership skill development and community outreach.

Challenges: making extraordinary changes in current practices.

The final report of the MDDC DD and Dementia Project will serve as a blueprint to provide optimal care.

The Maine Developmental Disabilities Council is a partnership of people with disabilities, their families, and agencies working together to create positive change through advocacy, capacity building, and systemic change.



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