

Image 1: Three young people smiling.

Image 2: Two people cooking in a kitchen together. Photo credit: Disabled and Here

Reforming Eligibility Requirements for Adult Developmental Disability Services in DC

Information, Discussion, and Testimony Preparation

Join us for an information and discussion session about building a better system of supports for people with developmental disabilities (DD) in DC. Currently adults with DD, like Autism for example, who are assessed as having an IQ score above 69 are not likely to be found eligible for long-term home and community based services through the DC Department on Disability Services (DDS) – even when they need support services to work and live independently.

This event is an opportunity to learn more about the issue and hear from other families who are affected by DC's restrictive eligibility requirements. We request that individuals who work for DDS please not attend so that families will feel comfortable asking questions and sharing their stories openly.

We also will have breakout rooms available for people who would like support on writing testimony for the DDS budget hearing, which is now scheduled for Monday, June 7, 2021 starting at 9 am. Sign up to testify here: <u>https://www. brianneknadeau.com/testify</u>

Tuesday, May 25, 2021, 5-6:30 pm https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJUocuysrjwoGd2Yv494t9XYs4sC7oxa7276 Phone: 301-715-8592, Meeting ID: 915 5540 7239, Passcode: 046323

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