ABOUT NDALC

The Nevada Disability Advocacy & Law Center (NDALC) is a private, statewide, non-profit organization serving as Nevada’s federally-mandated protection and advocacy system for human, legal, and service rights for individuals with disabilities. NDALC was designated as Nevada’s protection and advocacy system by the Governor in March, 1995.

Services provided by NDALC include, but are not limited to: information and referral services, education, training, negotiation, mediation, investigation of reported or suspected abuse/neglect, legal counsel, technical assistance, litigation services, and public policy work.

MISSION STATEMENT

Protect and advocate for human and legal rights, interests and welfare of Nevadans with disabilities.

Promote, support, and assist Nevadans with disabilities in understanding and controlling those systems and processes, which directly affect their lives.

Foster the development, availability, and accessibility of services, which increase the opportunities available to Nevadans with disabilities to live their lives as fully, independently, and productively as possible.

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NDALC may assist individuals who meet the statutory eligibility criteria for its protection and advocacy programs, and whose complaints or problems fall under NDALC’s current service priorities. As NDALC does not have the resources to handle every meritorious complaint, NDALC sets annual service priorities based on input from individuals with disabilities, and the overall disability communities.

Grievance Procedure:
NDALC has a grievance procedure for individuals who are dissatisfied with NDALC’s decision to deny, reduce, or terminate services, or with the quality or amount of services received. The grievance procedure and submission form can be obtained through any NDALC office.
Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities (PADD)  Services for individuals who have a developmental disability; defined as a disability manifested before the age of 22, severe and chronic in nature, and resulting in substantial functional limitations in three or more major life activities.

Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness (PAIMI)  Services for individuals who have significant mental illness, or emotional impairment.

Protection and Advocacy for Individual Rights (PAIR)  Services for all other individuals with physical and/or mental disabilities who are not eligible for services under the PADD and PAIMI programs, or the Client Assistance Program (CAP).

Protection and Advocacy for Assistive Technology (PAAT)  Services for individuals with disabilities who need assistance obtaining assistive technology devices and services.

Protection and Advocacy for Voter Access (PAVA)  Services for individuals with disabilities to provide education and advocacy to ensure full participation and access in the electoral process.

Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Traumatic Brain Injury (PATBI)  Services for individuals living with traumatic brain injuries and their families.

Client Assistance Program (CAP)  Federally funded program designed to assist individuals with disabilities in resolving problems they may be experiencing with any of Nevada's federally funded rehabilitation programs.

Protection and Advocacy for Beneficiaries of Social Security (PABSS)  Services for individuals who receive Social Security disability benefits and need assistance with the removal of barriers preventing them from returning to work.

Nevada Work Incentives Planning & Assistance (WIPA)  The Work Incentives Planning & Assistance (WIPA) program is a no-cost service that assists Social Security beneficiaries with disabilities to make informed choices about returning to work, or entering the workforce for the first time.

Representative Payee Program - Reviews are conducted of representative payees under Social Security Administration programs in order to confirm the payee is appropriately carrying out their responsibilities in conjunction with duties under the programs, and on behalf of the beneficiaries.
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