

# Listening to North Carolina

*Be Heard. Be the Change.*

## Individuals

**We invite you to take this survey for the North Carolina Council on Developmental Disabilities.**

**The first questions tell us a little about you. The next 16 questions let us know what you think on key issues.**

**Your comments will help guide the Council as it plans a new 5 Year State Plan. The plan will help the Council serve the interests of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, their families and the public in the years ahead.**

**Thank you for your ideas. (There is no need to give us your name.)**

### Demographic Questions

**Please check below to tell us who you are.**

- Person with a developmental disability: Youth – 21 or under
- Person with a developmental disability: Adult – over 21
- Person with a developmental disability: Older adult – 65 or older

**What is your race? Check all that apply. (Optional)**

- African American
- American Indian
- Asian American
- Hispanic/Latino
- White
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**What is your gender?**

- Female
- Male

What is the name of your county?

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## Community Services and Supports

1) Services and supports should help you live the life you want. Do you think the people helping you are working well together?

- M 1 – No. A big change is needed
- M 2 – Some change is needed
- M 3 – It's about right--no change is needed
- M 4 – Doesn't apply to me

2) Services and supports can help you be an active part of your community. Do you think providers are doing a good job of this?

- M 1 – No. A big change is needed
- M 2 – Some change is needed
- M 3 – It's about right--no change is needed
- M 4 – Doesn't apply to me

## Education and Learning

3) People with and without disabilities should learn together in the same schools and classrooms.

**Your Comments:**

**3(a) Do you think schools do a good job of this?**

- M 1 – No. A big change is needed
- M 2 – Some change is needed
- M 3 – It's about right--no change is needed
- M 4 – Doesn't apply to me

**3(b) Do you think colleges do a good job of this?**

- M 1 – No. A big change is needed
- M 2 – Some change is needed
- M 3 – It's about right--no change is needed
- M 4 – Doesn't apply to me

**4) Students with developmental disabilities may need help from their school to plan for life after high school. Do you think they have this help?**

- M 1 – No. A big change is needed
- M 2 – Some change is needed
- M 3 – It's about right--no change is needed
- M 4 – Doesn't apply to me

## **Jobs and Money**

**5) If you have a job in the community, do you earn good pay?**

- M 1 – No, pay is not good
- M 2 – Yes, pay is about right
- M 3 – I don't have a job in the community

**6(a) Do you earn money?**

- M yes
- M no

**6(b) Do you save money?**

- M yes
- M no

**6(c) Do you choose how you spend your money?**

- M yes
- M no

**Your Comments:**

**6(d) Have you made a plan for how you will use your money in the future?**

M yes

M no

## Wellness and Health

**7) People should get good health care. Do you get to see a doctor, or other health care provider, when you need to?**

M 1 – No. A big change is needed

M 2 – Some change is needed

M 3 – It's about right--no change is needed

**8) Health care providers may need to learn more about people with developmental disabilities. Is there enough training for health care providers?**

M 1 – A lot more training is needed

M 2 – Some more training is needed

M 3 – It's about right--no change is needed

## Self-Advocacy and Leadership Skills

**9) Self-advocacy and leadership skills can help people live the life they want. Is there a self-advocacy training that you can go to?**

M 1 – Yes

M 2 – No

M 3 – I don't know

**10) Do you think most police officers know enough about people with developmental disabilities?**

M 1 – A lot more training is needed

M 2 – Some more training is needed

M 3 – It's about right--no change is needed

M 4 – I don't know

## Homes

**11) Did you choose where you live, such as family home, group home, own apartment, shared apartment, other?**

**Your Comments:**

M 1 – Yes, I chose where I live.

M 2 – Someone helped me choose where I live

M 3 – Someone else chose where I live

M 4 – I live alone

M 5 – I don't know

**12) Did you choose the people you live with?**

M 1 – Yes, I chose them.

M 2 – I helped choose them

M 3 – Someone else chose them

M 4 – I live alone

M 5 – I don't know

## Transportation

**13) Do you have transportation to get where you need to go?**

M 1 – No, hardly ever.

M 2 – Sometimes

M 3 – Yes, most always.

## Family Support Services

**14) If you and your family live together, do you have the help you need?**

M 1 – No. A big change is needed

M 2 – Some change is needed

M 3 – It's about right--no change is needed

M 4 – I don't know

M 5 – Doesn't apply to me

## Advocacy and Policymaking

**15) People with developmental disabilities and their families should have a real voice in policy and decision making about their lives. Do you have the opportunity to do this?**

M 1 – No. A big change is needed

M 2 – Some change is needed

M 3 – It's about right--no change is needed

**Your Comments:**

M 4 – I don't know

**16) Did these questions let us know what's important to you?**

M 1 - Yes, they did

M 2 - Some questions did

M 3 - No, they didn't

Thank you again for your participation in our survey. We value and appreciate your input. This survey is online and available on the Council's web page through October 25, 2010. Please encourage others to take the survey by going to [www.nccdd.org](http://www.nccdd.org). If you would like to request an alternative format or if you have questions about the 5 year state plan development process, please contact Melissa Swartz at 1-800-357-6916 or [melissa.swartz@dhhs.nc.gov](mailto:melissa.swartz@dhhs.nc.gov). This survey was developed by the North Carolina Council on Developmental Disabilities and the Carolina Institute for Developmental Disabilities, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, A University Center of Excellence in Developmental Disabilities. This effort is supported by NCCDD and funds it received through P.L. 106-402, the Developmental Disability Assistance and Bill of Rights October 2000.

**Your Comments:**