

Activity Description

The Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities (GCDD), authorized under the Federal Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act (DD Act)(P.L. 106-402), works to assure that people with developmental disabilities, and their families, receive the necessary support/services to increase their independence, productivity, self-determination, integration, and inclusion in the community (IPSII). The governor appoints members; 60% are people with disabilities and family members.

Population Served

The GCDD's primary customer group is comprised of people with developmental disabilities who make up about 1.13% of the state's population, about 58,140 individuals, and their families. A developmental disability is a significant lifelong disability.

Services Provided

The GCDD is not a direct service provider. The GCDD's business is information, education, and training for knowledge building, skills development, and attitude changes that lead to measureable IPSII results. The GCDD is involved in several collaborative activities such as MNDisability.Gov and making state E-government services accessible and usable for people with disabilities. The GCDD also works on public policy issues and serves on interagency committees. At least 70% of the federal funds that GCDD receives each year are awarded as grants.

Leadership Training - Partners in Policymaking

- ◆ Partners Program: Competency/value based leadership training program for adults with disabilities and parents of young children with developmental disabilities; teaches how to develop positive partnerships with elected officials for systems change. The GCDD also funds Partners in Policymaking graduate workshops, evaluation studies, and cultural outreach programs.

Employment and Document Imaging

- ◆ Legislation was passed by the 2007 Minnesota Legislature to promote the employment of people with developmental disabilities in scanning government records.
- ◆ In SFY 2008, a total of 263 people with developmental disabilities were employed in document imaging positions in public and private sector businesses because of GCDD activities.
- ◆ A DVD on document imaging, *The Changing Face of Technology*, was produced and received two awards – International Summit Creative Award and Communicator Award.

Communications and Training

- ◆ Education/resource materials on best practices are available to citizens through print and web based formats. GCDD and Partners in Policymaking websites are maintained and new products and services are added on an ongoing basis. The Partners curriculum was converted to e-learning modules. A national Best of Web Digital Government Achievement Award was received in 2007 for the online training courses.

Customer Focus and Quality Improvement

- ◆ Customer Research: Annual research studies are conducted on issues such as employment practices, health care, and electronic government services.
- ◆ Application of Malcolm Baldrige Quality Management Framework: Increases knowledge, understanding, and application of the Baldrige Criteria to GCDD's business.

Self Advocacy

- ◆ The 2007 legislature appropriated \$274,000 for the 2008-09 biennium to establish a statewide self advocacy network – Self Advocates Minnesota (SAM). Self advocates are people with developmental disabilities who speak up for themselves, make choices/changes in their own lives, and make their voices heard and views

Activity at a Glance

- ◆ More than 15,000 Partners in Policymaking® program graduates nationally/internationally since 1987; including 731 graduates from Minnesota.

During SFY 2008:

- ◆ A total of 290,176 publications disseminated (print and downloads).
- ◆ A total of 195,462 unique website visitors.
- ◆ A total of 263 people with developmental disabilities employed in the area of digital imaging in public/private sector businesses.
- ◆ A total of 743 self advocates trained.

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known about policies and practices that affect them. During the first year, 743 self advocates attended 42 training sessions on housing, transportation, employment, and leadership.

The GCDD does not regulate activities, or set or enforce standards.

Key Program Goals

Accessibility/Usability Working Group, an outgrowth of the Drive to Excellence MNDisability.Gov project, was created to improve accessibility and usability of E-government services including hardware, software, and websites.

MNDisability.Gov, a first-stop website for Minnesota state agency programs, products, and services devoted to disability issues, was created in collaboration with a Drive to Excellence team of disability agencies. There are 4,000 visitors a month to the site.

Employment/Document Imaging: This topic addresses indicator 32 of Minnesota Milestones. People with developmental disabilities are working in document imaging jobs, providing a valuable service to public and private sector businesses using current technology to conserve space and related costs, and preserve business records.

Key Measures

The GCDD tracks and reports the results of dozens of performance measures for the Department of Administration and the federal Administration on Developmental Disabilities. A few examples for SFY 2008:

- ◆ Number of website visitors = 195,462,
- ◆ Total of 290,176 publications disseminated – 264,684 downloads and 25,492 print publications,
- ◆ This activity supports Minnesota Milestone's goal that Minnesotans will have the economic means to maintain a reasonable standard of living. In FY 2008 a total of 263 people with developmental disabilities were employed in digital imaging positions in public and private sector businesses, (which exceeded our goal of 150), and
- ◆ Total of 3,307 individual technical assistance requests received and addressed.

Performance measures for the next fiscal year are established by the GCDD, identified in Requests for Proposals, and contained in GCDD's contracts. Performance goals are tracked for each fiscal year for each supplier, and over time, through dashboards, IPSII measures, customer satisfaction, cycle time for reporting, progress meetings that correspond with quarterly reporting deadlines, mid-year performance reviews, and final reports.

Activity Funding

The GCDD's annual allocation is part of a congressional appropriation for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The federal fiscal year (FFY) 2008 allocation was \$1,025,295. Level funding is anticipated for FFY 2009. A required 25% non-federal match, is acquired through a general fund appropriation and in-kind contributions. The GCDD has also received \$230,000 in federal funds for a Family Support 360 grant, with match provided by the grantee, and a state appropriation of \$274,000 for the 2008-09 biennium for a statewide self advocacy network.

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Budget Activity Summary

<i>Dollars in Thousands</i>					
	Current		Forecast Base		Biennium
	FY2008	FY2009	FY2010	FY2011	2010-11
<u>Direct Appropriations by Fund</u>					
General					
Current Appropriation	214	208	208	208	416
Forecast Base	214	208	208	208	416
<u>Expenditures by Fund</u>					
Direct Appropriations					
General	214	208	208	208	416
Statutory Appropriations					
Federal	1,325	1,234	1,082	1,025	2,107
Total	1,539	1,442	1,290	1,233	2,523
<u>Expenditures by Category</u>					
Total Compensation	187	247	228	235	463
Other Operating Expenses	395	134	153	146	299
Local Assistance	957	1,061	909	852	1,761
Total	1,539	1,442	1,290	1,233	2,523
Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)	2.7	3.4	2.6	2.6	