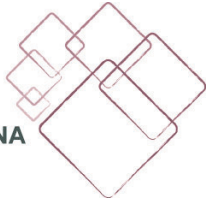




DISABILITY RIGHTS NORTH CAROLINA

Champions for Equality and Justice



How do I contact Disability Rights NC?

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Se habla español

www.disabilityrightsncc.org

*Upon request, information
is available in alternate format.*

Disability Rights North Carolina is a federally mandated protection and advocacy system with funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the U.S. Department of Education, and the Social Security Administration.



Disability Rights NC

values the dignity of ALL people and their freedom to control their own lives. We work for justice upholding the fundamental rights of people with disabilities to live free from harm in the communities of their choice, with the opportunity to participate fully and equally in society.



Who We Are

- Disability Rights NC is the federally mandated protection and advocacy system (P&A) in North Carolina.
- We are a private, non-profit agency, which protects the legal rights of people with disabilities through individual and systems advocacy.
- As North Carolina's P&A, we have the authority to provide legal representation and other advocacy services, under all federal and state laws, to all people with disabilities (based on priorities for services).

Who We Serve

Disability Rights NC provides advocacy help for North Carolinians with disabilities. You could be eligible for DRNC services if:

- You have a developmental or intellectual disability;
- You have a psychiatric disability or emotional impairment;
- You are a patient in a state psychiatric hospital;
- You have a physical, learning, or sensory disability; or
- You have a traumatic brain injury.

Go to www.disabilityrightsn.org for our case selection criteria.

If we cannot be of direct assistance, we refer people to other sources of help.

What We Do

- Represent the person with a disability based on our targets and case selection criteria;
- Educate people with disabilities about their legal, civil, and service rights;
- Investigate complaints about neglect, abuse, and related deaths in institutions;
- Provide advice, training, and support for self-advocacy;
- Reach out to traditionally underserved ethnic and disability communities; and
- Bring impact litigation to improve services for groups of people with disabilities.

Examples of Problems We Can Help With

If you have a disability, DRNC may be able to help with problems like:

- Abuse, neglect, and rights violations in an institution;
- Access to technology – like communication devices, power wheelchairs, lifts or ramps;
- Discrimination in housing, transportation, and access to public and private programs and services;
- Rights to basic support, personal care, therapy, health care and other individualized treatment;
- Special education rights;
- Overcoming barriers to returning to work if you are on SSI/SSDI; or
- Voting registration, vote casting, and accessible polling places.

