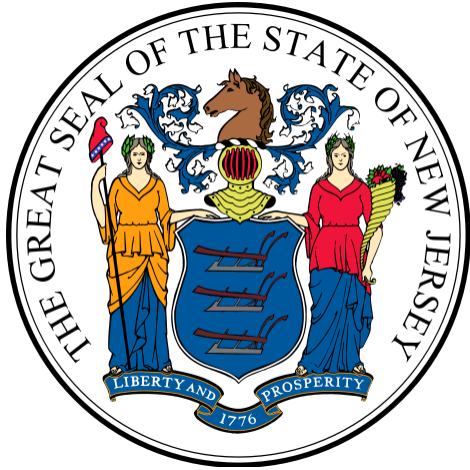


Self-Advocacy New Jersey



New Jersey Recommendations for National Actions

1. Create a Centralized State/Nationalized Group to make sure voices are heard. A hub for all of the self-advocacy groups to come together and share thoughts, ideas, and information. Have a centralized website on federal policies.
2. Use PNS funds to support a national public awareness campaign (similar to Autism Speaks). It could be called “People First”-We are people, not our labels, we want universal design, supports so that we can live independently. Discussing who we are, what we want (“I am, I can”).

New Jersey Recommendations for National Actions (continued)

3. A National TV show/campaign to make public services announcements or commercials to raise awareness for self-advocates, talk about issues.
4. Support state self-advocacy groups to become non-profit organizations
5. Use Projects of National Significance (PNS) funds to support “An Institution is Not A Home” campaign
6. Hold ongoing summits on self-advocacy to hear voices, share ideas, and promote collaboration within states and with other states.