



ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY CENTERS ON DISABILITIES
THE LEADERSHIP, EDUCATION, ADVOCACY & RESEARCH NETWORK

National Training Directors Council (NTDC)

Purpose: The purpose of the National Training Directors Council (NTDC) is to serve as a focus and forum for the identification and discussion of issues related to preservice and in-service interprofessional training; function as a representative voice of preservice interprofessional training interests and concerns within the AUCD network; influence the development and implementation of national training policies and initiatives, and share best practices and exemplary resources developed and used by IDDRCs, LENDs and UCEDDs across the nation.

How NTDC Relates to Center Work

The National Training Directors Council supports Training Directors in the following areas:

- The development of culturally competent interprofessional training for the network membership;
- Developing curriculum and training for self-advocates and family members; and,
- Incorporating practicing professionals and community members in training programs in a manner that promotes diversity and inclusion.

The NTDC also supports and mentors Training Directors in their own development as leaders who build the capacity of the network to affect change at local, state, and national levels.

How to Get Involved

Membership. The Council is composed of one representative from each AUCD member program who is the Training Director or Preservice Education Coordinator and/or Training Director or a designee who best represents the overall training interests of that program. The full Council meets once a year in conjunction with the AUCD Conference. The NTDC Steering Committee and the Council's ad hoc committees also meet in person once a year and as needed during the year through conference calls.

FY 20 Focus Areas

- Strengthen connections among AUCD, Councils, and SIGs
 - ✓ Support AUCD Strategic Plan
 - ✓ Increase inclusion and utilization of Trainee Representative
- Increase engagement and support of network Training Directors
 - ✓ Host three membership discussions focused on current and emerging issues
 - ✓ Secure and/or develop training materials for a Training Directors "Toolkit"

