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University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDDs) work with people with disabilities, members of their families, state and local government agencies, and community providers in projects that provide training, technical assistance, service, research, and information sharing, with a focus on building the capacity of communities to sustain all their citizens.

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### Disability in Illinois by the Numbers

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<th><strong>297,960</strong> Students age 3-21 receive special education supports¹</th>
<th><strong>38%</strong> of people with disabilities are employed²</th>
<th><strong>60</strong> 14c certificate holders paying subminimum wages³</th>
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| **$2,124,434,477** Medicaid expenditures for LTSS institutional care⁴ | **$2,077,663,069** Medicaid expenditures for HCBS⁴ | **1,392,622** Individuals with disabilities living in communities⁵ |

### AUCD and Your Office

The Association of University Centers on Disabilities (AUCD) supports a national network of university-based interdisciplinary programs in every U.S. state and territory. We are a trusted resource on disability policy issues and stand ready to connect you to resources, research and expertise in both policy and constituent service.

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