

AUCD Centers Serving Illinois



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.

University of Illinois UCE

Phone: 312-413-1647

Website: <http://ahs.uic.edu/disability-human-development/>

Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities (LENDs) interdisciplinary training, services, and care for people with disabilities across the lifespan.

Illinois LEND

Phone: 312-996-8905

Website: <https://www.illinoislend.org/>

Disability in Illinois by the Numbers

297,960

Students age 3-21 receive special education supports¹

38%

of people with disabilities are employed²

&

87

14c certificate holders paying subminimum wages³

\$2,124,434,477

Medicaid expenditures for LTSS institutional care⁴

vs

\$2,077,663,069

Medicaid expenditures for HCBS⁴

1,419,972

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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