

**Advocacy Center
(Legislative and Regulatory Recommendations for Abuse Prevention)**

GOAL

Develop recommended changes to Louisiana regulations, policies and practices necessary to reduce incidences of sexual and other forms of abuse inflicted upon people with developmental disabilities.

OUTCOMES

Produce a report with extensive research of state policy and statutes and comprehensive recommendations designed to help prevent the sexual and other abuse of people with developmental disabilities.

ACTIVITIES

1. Research current state statute, policies and practices as it relates to the abuse of people with developmental disabilities. Determine the impact of current statute, policies and practices related to abuse of people with developmental disabilities on ensuring the safety of people with developmental disabilities.
2. Solicit feedback from stakeholders, including the Council, on areas of focus, research conducted and major findings prior to submission of the final report; Complete a preliminary written report and provide the Council with a presentation detailing proposed recommendations for legislative, regulatory and/or best practice changes.
 - *Payment of \$5,000 will be made upon completion of these first two deliverables.*
3. Provide the Council with a finalized report on findings and recommendations that would help protect people with developmental disabilities from sexual and other forms of abuse.
 - *Payment of \$5,000 will be made upon completion of this deliverable.*

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

The Contractor will submit to the Council:

1. A preliminary report with summary of areas of focus, research conducted, major findings and recommendations to be submitted by March 30, 2020.
2. A presentation to the Council and members of the public on preliminary findings and recommendations at its April 2020 quarterly meeting.
3. A finalized report based on findings and feedback solicited from the Council and other stakeholders detailing recommendations for legislative, regulatory and/or best practice changes that would strengthen the protection of people with developmental disabilities from sexual and other forms of abuse to be submitted by May 31, 2020.

MONITORING PLAN

The Contractor will submit to the Council:

1. A preliminary report with summary of areas of focus, research conducted, major findings and recommendations including activities and performance indicator data specified above by email or other means for discussion at the Council's April 2020 quarterly meeting.
2. A presentation to the Council on the contractor's official findings and recommendations including activities and performance indicator data specified above by the Council's April 2020 quarterly meeting.
3. A finalized report based on findings and feedback solicited from the Council and other stakeholders including activities and performance indicator data specified above by May 31, 2020.

The Council staff assigned to monitor this contract will:

1. Review and analyze submitted reports.
2. Communicate with contractor as needed (via phone, e-mail, etc.).
3. Review the final report and arrange for the contractor's presentation(s) before the Council.