



Disability Rights Maryland (DRM) wants your opinion!

Disability Rights Maryland (DRM) receives federal money to provide legal services to Marylanders with disabilities. We would like your help to decide which issues we should focus on for the next year.

Call us at 410-727-6352 ext. 0 if you would like to give your answers by phone, or fax to 410-727-6389

Or return by email: Feedback@DisabilityRightsMD.org or by mail: DRM Legal Director
1500 Union Ave., Suite 2000
Baltimore MD 21211

PLEASE RESPOND BY October 16, 2021

1. I am (check all that apply):
 a person with a disability a family member of a person with a disability
 an advocate for people with disabilities a service provider for people with disabilities
 Other (please specify): _____

2. In which county do you live? _____

3. OPTIONAL: If you would like to receive more information about DRM, please give us your contact information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/ State/ ZIP: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

4. What are the 3 most important issues for DRM to work on next year?

5. Please provide feedback about contacting us.

Is our website easy to use	Yes	No	N/A
Is our website accessible?	Yes	No	N/A
Is the office easy to access?	Yes	No	N/A
Is our staff knowledgeable?	Yes	No	N/A
Is our intake process convenient?	Yes	No	N/A

6. Where is DRM’s help needed most for people with disabilities to have **access to their communities?**

	DRM help is: not needed	somewhat needed	very needed	no opinion
Fair Housing including affordable housing, integrated housing, accessible housing and reasonable accommodations/modifications				
Public transportation, including paratransit services, and lack of transportation options				
Voting				
Education				
Meaningful access to public accommodations such as businesses, services, and programs that promote community integration				
Meaningful access to services, program and activities provided by state or local government				
Employment				
Unnecessary guardianship				
Services to communities with Limited English Proficiency (LEP)				
Deinstitutionalization, including criminal justice				
COVID-19 help (please explain below)				

Other Areas or Comments: _____

7. Where is DRM’s help needed most for people with disabilities regarding **health care?**

	DRM help is: not needed	somewhat needed	very needed	no opinion
Getting Medicaid services such as in-home nursing, in-home aides, non-emergency medical transportation, etc.				
Education about Medicaid services				
Help with other Medicaid system issues (please explain below)				
Getting assistive technology, including durable medical equipment				
Using Medicaid to prevent out of home or congregate care settings, or entering criminal justice system.				

Other Areas or Comments: _____

8. Where is DRM's help needed most for people with **developmental disabilities**?

DRM help is: not needed somewhat needed very needed no opinion

Training and support for self-advocates				
Ensuring community integration by increasing access to quality health care and other services in the community				
Accessing meaningful activities, including employment and recreation				
Appealing denial of service decisions				
Helping people move out of institutions				
Keeping people free from abuse, neglect and exploitation				
Obtaining assistive technology, accommodations or effective communications				
Obtaining appropriate transition services				
Promote self-determination and alternatives to guardianship				
COVID-19 help (please explain below)				

Other Areas or Comments: _____

9. Where is DRM's help needed most regarding **voting rights** for people with disabilities?

DRM help is: not needed somewhat needed very needed no opinion

Accessible polling sites and machines				
Accessible voting processes (vote by mail)				
Allowing people with disabilities to have help placing their vote, if they would like it.				
Training election judges on disability issues				
Voter registration, outreach and training				

Other Areas or Comments: _____

10. Where is DRM's help needed most for **people with mental health issues**?

	DRM help is: not needed	somewhat needed	very needed	no opinion
Training and support for self-advocates				
Expanding and promoting quality community services and housing options				
Addressing problems in emergency rooms				
Moving the mental health and juvenile justice systems to community based treatment services				
Helping people move out of institutions				
Prevent over-policing and criminalization of people with disabilities				
Ensuring provision of mental health services in the criminal justice system				
Defending the rights of people in hospitals, institutions, and community mental health programs				
Keeping people free from abuse, neglect and exploitation				
COVID-19 help (please explain below)				

Other Areas or Comments: _____

11. Where is DRM's help needed most for people with **traumatic brain injury (TBI)**?

	DRM help is: not needed	somewhat needed	very needed	no opinion
Housing issues				
Specialized healthcare, mental health, and other treatment services				
Other community services and supports (please explain below)				
Employment issues				
Special education for children				

Other Areas or Comments: _____

14. Where is DRM’s help needed most to ensure **human rights in institutions** (such as nursing facilities, state residential centers, psychiatric hospitals, and jails)?

DRM help is: not needed somewhat needed very needed no opinion

Appropriate discharge planning				
Getting desired and appropriate treatment and care in institutions				
Preventing restraint & seclusion				
Decreasing the use of forced medication				
Decreasing the use of institutions and large congregate living settings				
Information and training about client rights				
Conducting investigations of abuse & neglect				
Protecting the rights of people with disabilities in jails and prisons				
Limiting over-policing and criminalization of people with disabilities				
COVID-19 help (please explain below)				

Other Areas or Comments: _____

15. Do you have any other comments or suggestions about our work?