More About UCCEDD
Since 1963, University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities have been creating connections between systems and communities to improve outcomes for people with disabilities.

UCEDDs are federally funded by the Administration on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.

- UCEDDs are a program of the National Developmental Disabilities Act. The DD Act’s purpose is to help individuals with developmental disabilities achieve independence, productivity, integration and inclusion in the community.
- UCCEDD is a member of the Association of University Centers on Disabilities (AUCD).
- UCCEDD is one of four Developmental Disability Network Partners in Ohio: UCCEDD, the OSU Nisonger Center, the Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council, and Disability Rights Ohio.

UCEDDs are funded by the Administration on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities which is dedicated to ensuring that individuals with developmental disabilities and their families are able to fully participate in and contribute to all aspects of community life in the United States and its territories.

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The University of Cincinnati Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities
Helping people with disabilities and their families live the lives they want
About UCCEDD
The University of Cincinnati Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCCEDD) believes that people with disabilities should and can be active, included, and fully participating members of their communities. UCCEDD works with self advocates, their family members, professionals, researchers, and policy makers to change perceptions and remove barriers for people with disabilities.

UCCEDD’s Community Advisory Committee
All UCEDDs have a Community Advisory Committee (CAC). Many members of the CAC are individuals with disabilities or family members. CAC members guide UCCEDD towards its vision by sharing their perspective, experience, and first-hand knowledge on disability issues.

What We Do
UCCEDD has four core functions:

Community Education and Collaboration
UCCEDD works in partnership with community agencies on projects, community training sessions and activities that improve outcomes for people with disabilities.

Information Sharing
UCCEDD develops and distributes information to empower people with disabilities and their families to lead self-determined lives. UCCEDD also educates the public, professionals and policy makers about priorities of the disability community.

Interdisciplinary Training
UCCEDD contributes to the interdisciplinary training of professionals and family members through the Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and related Disabilities (LEND) training program, as well as other training for professionals.

Research
UCCEDD is a vehicle for research, and contributes knowledge that improves the quality of life and health of people with disabilities.

Our Core Functions

Our Vision
Our vision is for all people, including children and adults living with disabilities, and their families, to fully participate in society and live healthy, safe, self-determined and productive lives.

Our Mission
Our mission is to be a leader in working with and for children and adults with disabilities and their families so they can lead the lives they want. We do this through education, training, research, guiding policy and sharing information.