

Q11. Please use the space below to write your name.

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Q1. Please indicate the knowledge or experience you have with individuals with developmental disabilities (e.g., autism, Down syndrome). Select all that apply.

- I have a family member or close friend with a developmental disability
- I have worked with people with developmental disabilities
- I am familiar with the DD community through my work at the General Assembly
- Other

Q2. Please indicate the ways in which you wish to inform yourself on disability-related issues. Select all that apply

- Work with the Arc of Virginia
- Work with other disability non-profits
- Work with local disability advocacy organizations
- Work with state disability advocacy organizations
- Work with federal disability advocacy organizations
- Hire employees with disabilities
- Other

Q3. Please indicate if you would support Virginia eliminating the Wait List for Medicaid Waivers, a critical disability service that provides long term support to keep people living out of institutions and in their community. Please select one.

- Yes, I support Virginia eliminating a wait list for critical disability providing through Medicaid.
- No, I do not support Virginia eliminating a wait list for critical disability providing through Medicaid.
- I'm unsure if I support Virginia eliminating a wait list for critical disability providing through Medicaid.

Q4. Please use the space below to describe experiences or thoughts regarding waitlists for services provided by Medicaid.

Q5. Please indicate ways in which you believe we can reduce the unemployment rates of individuals with disabilities, which hover around 80%. Select all that apply.

- State hiring initiative and incentives to employers to hire more people with disabilities
- Greater funding for DARS, our state vocational rehabilitation agency to reduce waiting list and offer more long term job supports
- Reducing the waiting list for Medicaid Waivers, which fund employment supports
- Funding and incentives for secondary schools to develop employment options so people with disabilities are employed before leaving high school
- Other

Q6. Please indicate if you are in favor of Virginia passing legislation to help mitigate housing costs that prevent individuals with disabilities living in their communities. Select all that apply.

- YES, I do support Housing Choice Vouchers (i.e. vouchers that cover the gap between 30% of someone's income and the fair market rent cap)
- YES, I do support Section 811 Project Based Rental Assistance (i.e. funding that offers reduced/capped rent for individuals willing to live at certain housing locations)
- YES, I do support Community Development Block Grants
- YES, do I support another initiative to mitigate housing costs
- NO, I do not support Housing Choice Vouchers
- NO, I do not support Section 811 Project Based Rental Assistance
- NO, I do not support Community Development Block
- I'm unsure if I am in favor of passing legislation to help mitigate housing costs.

Q7. Do you favor finalizing the closure of the Southwest Virginia Training Center and Central Virginia Training Center, state institutions for individuals with disabilities who would then receive services and support in their local communities? Please select one.

- Yes, I support the closure of state institutions for individuals with disabilities.
- No, I do not support the closure of state institutions for individuals with disabilities.
- I'm unsure if I support the closure of state institutions for individuals with disabilities.

Q8. Please use the space below to describe experiences or thoughts regarding the closure of state institutions for individuals with disabilities who would then receive services and support in their local communities.

I support a gradual closing of the Center. We need to make sure that needs of the individuals are being met and that there is no degradation of services. We want to move toward community-based services.

Q9. Please indicate if you support fiscal provisions for fully funding early intervention disability-related services for children aged birth to 3 years, including increasing the case management reimbursement rate to be in line with Medicaid Waiver case management. Please select one.

- Yes, I support fully funding early intervention services.
- No, I do not support fully funding early intervention services.
- I'm not sure if I support fully funding early intervention services.

Q10. Please use the space below to describe experiences or thoughts regarding early intervention services for children aged birth to 3 years.

This is a critical time in a child's life and early intervention for those with disabilities could make all the difference.

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