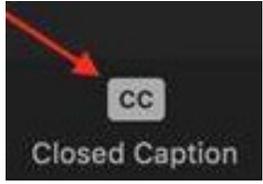


# SSDAC Town Hall

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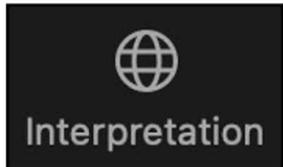
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This is a webinar. That means you will only see committee members who are on camera and invited speakers. You will not see committee members who have chosen to stay off camera or other members of the public.



This is a Town Hall meeting. Public comment will be the primary focus of today's meeting. If time runs out and you are not able to share your comments live, you may submit them through this [link](#). Your comments will be summarized and shared with DDS.

# Who is the SSDAC?

The Statewide Self-Determination Advisory Committee (SSDAC) is comprised of the chairs of the 21 local advisory committees or their designees and a Council-appointed Co-Chair. The State Council on Developmental Disabilities is responsible for convening these meetings.

The SSDAC is responsible for identifying best practices, effective training materials, implementation concerns, and systemic issues. The Committee also makes recommendations on ways to enhance the SDP.

# Why Does the SSDAC Want to Hear From You Today?

The DDS Self-Determination Program Waiver is up for renewal in June 2026. This waiver provides federal match funding for the program.



The SDP waiver application is open for public comment. Now is the time to let the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid services know why funding for this program is important.



Your voice matters. Your stories can impact the way the SDP is viewed and understood by the federal government.

# When Providing Comments Remember...

- Keep your comments to 2 minutes per speaker (*exceptions will be made for participants who need language interpretation or who require more time due to disability*)
- Use the “raise hand” button if you wish to speak. Staff will unmute you when it is your turn to speak.

# Guiding Questions

- How has the Self-Determination Program improved your/your family's quality of life, stability, or access to services?
- What positive outcomes have you observed for individuals, families or SDP service providers?
- Why does continued funding for SDP matter to you?

Note: If you have reviewed the waiver application, please feel free to provide any additional input on the waiver that you would like DDS to consider.