2022 Public Policy Agenda
Executive Summary

The 2022 legislative session provides many opportunities to advance initiatives that will lead to greater independence for people with intellectual and other developmental disabilities (I/DD).
Below is an overview of the legislative priorities for The Arc of Indiana.

Support efforts to have a recognized statewide training that leads to certification for DSPs, a registry and a workforce pipeline to bring oversight, professionalism and a steady workforce stream to the industry.

Establish legislation providing families of children receiving special education services with more protections and rights.

Establish legislation re-defining Indiana's special education categories regarding funding.

Monitor legislation allowing for paths to become a special education teacher.

Establish an advisory council for education scholarship accounts for students with disabilities within the Indiana Treasurer's Office.

Support workforce legislation that could lead to increased employment opportunities for people with disabilities.

Update Indiana's Motor Vehicle Protection Act to include accessible vehicles.

Revise the Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services Advisory Council's statute.

Support licensure of music, developmental, art and dance therapies.

Monitor the state's utilization of American Rescue Plan dollars for services for people with IDD.

Update Indiana's 9-8-8 Crisis Line statute to include a representative from The Arc of Indiana and Self-Advocates of Indiana.

Monitor funding efforts for Indiana's 9-8-8 Crisis Line.

Monitor the creation of an Medicaid Ombudsman for long-term care services for risk based managed care.

Monitor the construction of an outreach plan for Structured Family Caregiving.

Monitor FSSA's prioritization of self-directed care in the development and implementation of risk based managed care.

Monitor actions taken to move LTSS into risk-based managed care.

Support legislation updating statutes to reflect Supported Decision Making.

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