

LISTENING TOUR 2025: WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

The Pennsylvania Developmental Disabilities Council (PADDC) is a planning and funding group made up of people with disabilities, and their family members, advocates, and state department representatives who work to create favorable conditions for Pennsylvanians with developmental disabilities and their families. PADDC wants to know what matters most to Pennsylvanians with developmental disabilities and their families. We need your input on how to make life better for people with disabilities. The information you share will guide our future work.

We would love to hear your ideas on how to:

- Improve supports and services for people with disabilities and their families.
- Make communities better for everyone.
- Improve advocacy and training opportunities.
- Protect the rights of people with disabilities.

JOIN US AT AN UPCOMING PUBLIC FORUM.

(**Note: Please register for only one forum so that others have the opportunity for input. Thank you!)

Listening Session #1: For All Audiences

Thursday, February 27, 2025, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Format: Virtual RSVP here https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3PT8N7J to receive Zoom link.

Listening Session #2: For All Audiences

Monday, March 3, 2025, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Format: Virtual - *in partnership with PA Family Network* RSVP here <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3PT8N7J</u> to receive Zoom link.

Listening Session #3: For All Audiences

Wednesday, March 12, 2025, 1 - 3 p.m. Format: In person in Cranberry Township Courtyard Pittsburgh North, 150 Cranberry Woods Drive, Cranberry Township, PA 16066 RSVP here <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3PT8N7J</u>.

Listening Session #4: For Parents of Children with IDD with a Focus on Education and Child-related Topics

Thursday, March 13, 2025, 6 – 8 p.m. Format: Virtual - *in partnership with The PEAL Center* RSVP here <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3PT8N7J</u> to receive Zoom link.

Listening Session #5: For All Audiences

Tuesday, March 18, 2025, 1 – 3 p.m. Format: In person in Allentown and Virtual Lehigh Valley Center for Independent Living, 713 N. 13th Street, Allentown, PA 18102 RSVP here <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3PT8N7J</u>. Zoom link for those wishing to participate virtually will be sent one day in advance.

Listening Session #6: For All Audiences

Thursday, March 20, 2025, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Format: In person in Harrisburg - *in partnership with Temple University Institute on Disabilities* Temple Harrisburg Campus, Room 233, 234 Strawberry Square Harrisburg, PA 17101 *Parking reimbursement available RSVP here <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3PT8N7J</u>.

Listening Session #7: For All Audiences

Friday, April 4, 2025, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Format: In person in Philadelphia – *in partnership with Vision for Equality* Vision for Equality, 718 Arch Street, 6N, Philadelphia, PA 19106 *Parking reimbursement available RSVP here <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3PT8N7J</u>.

Listening Session #8: For Self Advocates

Monday, April 7, 2025, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Format: Virtual - *in partnership with Speaking for Ourselves* RSVP here <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3PT8N7J</u> to receive Zoom link.

QUESTIONS?

If you have questions or need assistance to RSVP for a meeting, please call or email PADDC. **Phone:** <u>Voice: 717-787-6057</u> <u>Toll Free: 1-877-685-4452</u> **Email:** <u>ra-pwpaddc@pa.gov</u>

A PowerPoint presentation will be used in the meetings. For accommodations, please contact PADDC at least two weeks before the event.

CAN'T PARTICIPATE ON THESE DATES?

If you can't participate in one of the scheduled public forums, you may **send suggestions in** writing through postal mail or email by April 1, 2025 to:

Pennsylvania Disabilities Council Attn: Listening Tour 2330 Vartan Way, Suite 130 Harrisburg, PA 17110

<u>ra-pwpaddc@pa.gov</u> Subject line: Listening Tour