



Year 33 Partners in Policymaking Application for Participation

Partners in Policymaking is funded in part by the SD Council on Developmental Disabilities, USD Center for Disabilities and SD Parent Connection.

First and Last name	Email		
Address	City	State	Zip Code
Phone Number	Alternative/Work Number		

Applications must be received no later than September 1st, 2024.

Inquiries can be directed to:

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1. Are you a parent of a son or daughter with a developmental disability? (Please indicate if you have more than one child with a disability)

If no, go to question #3

If yes, child/children ages:

Date of onset of child's/children's
disability_____

- A. Describe the disability and how it affects the ability of your son/daughter to function in at least three of the major life activities, as defined by the ADA. (Visit ADA.gov/topics/intro-to-ada/ for more information)

- B. What services is your son/daughter currently receiving (school, respite care, case management, etc.)?

- C. If applicable, describe your son/daughter's school placement.

2. Do you have other children? Yes No

3. Are you a person with a disability? Yes No

Your age: _____ Date of onset of disability: _____

Briefly explain your disability:

4. Why are you interested in participating in the Partners in Policymaking program? Is there a specific issue, area of concern, or problem that encouraged you to apply for this program?

Year 33 Sessions *dates, times, locations, and topics are subject to change*

Date	Location	Topic
November 15 th & 16 th	AmericInn, Ft. Pierre, SD	History, parent movement, self-advocacy
December 13 th & 14 th	AmericInn, Ft. Pierre, SD	Community organization, meeting a public official, advocacy
January 23 rd - 25 th	AmericInn, Ft. Pierre, SD	State and Federal Legislation, Parliamentary Procedure and Serving on boards
February 21 st & 22 nd	AmericInn, Ft. Pierre, SD	Inclusive and quality education, how to be effective in team meetings
March 14 th & 15 th	AmericInn, Ft. Pierre, SD	Choice and Control, self-directed, person-centered planning
April 25 th & 26 th	Ramkota Hotel, Sioux Falls, SD	Supported, competitive, and customized employment, and living

Chart 1.1a

5. Are you able to make a time commitment of two days (Friday and Saturday), one weekend per month, from November 2024 through April 2025 (see **Chart 1.1**)? **Attendance at all sessions is mandatory.**

Yes No

If employed, will your employer release you to attend Partner sessions?

Yes No

6. Are there any accommodations necessary for you to participate in this program?

Yes No

If yes, circle any of the following accommodations that apply.

1. Accessibility
2. Interpreters
3. Respite Care
4. Alternative formats for learning materials
5. Personal care attendant
6. Other

Please describe the accommodations you will need:

7. Do you currently belong to any advocacy organization(s)? If yes, please list the organization and any positions held.

8. Please tell us a little about yourself and your family.

9. How did you hear about Partners in Policymaking?

***Please note* At least one letter of recommendation must be submitted with this application**



Year 33 Partners in Policymakers Recommendation Letter

First and Last Name

Email

First and Last Name of Applicant

Email

- 1.) Your relationship to applicant?

- 2.) How long have you known the applicant?

- 3.) In your opinion, would the applicant be able to make a commitment to attend all the sessions and complete all the homework assignments?

4.) In your opinion, is there anything that would preclude the applicant from completing the Partner training program?

5.) How will the applicant utilize the knowledge and skills they gain?

6.) Please give a brief narrative of why you feel the individual should be selected to participate in Partners in Policymaking.

Signature

Email

Address

City

State

Zip Code