



**Guam Developmental Disabilities Council (GDDC)
Proposed Amendments to the
2022-2026 Five-Year State Plan Goals and Objectives**

Goal 1: Self-Advocacy & Self-Determination

By 2026, GDDC will increase advocacy skills to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) in cross-disability and culturally diverse societies to improve their quality of life.

Objective 1.1: Every year, GDDC will increase supports to a stateside self-advocacy organization(s) for direct funding led by individuals with I/DD.

Objective 1.2: Every year, GDDC will increase knowledge and skills to at least 30 individuals with I/DD through self-advocacy leadership training and development.

Objective 1.3: Every year, GDDC will increase understanding and awareness regarding Powers of Attorney and Guardianship, and how they affect an individual's right to self-determination, to at least 100 individuals with I/DD and in collaboration with the DD Network known as the Tri-Agency Partners: the Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education, Research, and Service (CEDDERS), and the Protection & Advocacy - Guam Legal Services Corporation-Disability Law Center (GLSC-DLC).

Goal 2: Community Living

By 2026, GDDC will increase Community Living services to I/DD from culturally diverse societies.

Objective 2.1: EDUCATION: Every year, GDDC will increase transition education and life span planning to 30 individuals with I/DD.



Objective 2.2: EMPLOYMENT: Every year, GDDC will work with Disability Network Partners to educate at least 30 individuals with I/DD on employment opportunities and train 5 employers to eliminate barriers in order to promote accessible and inclusive work environments to I/DD from culturally diverse societies.

Objective 2.3: HEALTH “TARGETED DISPARITY”: Every year, GDDC will increase knowledge, understanding, and awareness to 30 Chuukese individuals with I/DD and their families on how to access available vaccines and other health care related services and supports to the Chuukese community.

Objective 2.4: TRANSPORTATION: Every year, GDDC will increase transportation knowledge, understanding, and access to 30 individuals with I/DD by identifying and implementing strategies to eliminate barriers through collaboration with public transportation agencies, private, non-profit organizations, and other advocacy groups.

Objective 2.5: ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY: Every year, 30 individuals with I/DD and their families will have increased access to assistive technology through collaboration with the Tri-Agency Partners inclusive of the Guam Systems for Assistive Technology Program so they can fully participate in the community.

Objective 2.6: EMERGING NEEDS: Every year, GDDC will identify and address emerging needs that impact the lives of I/DD and their families and take needed action for improvement.