NEW MEXICO Developmental Disabilities Council

Center for Self-Advocacy



THE CSA VISION

The vision of the Center for Self-Advocacy (CSA) is to create community, connection, and empowerment among people with disabilities across the state of New Mexico.

WHAT IS A SELF ADVOCATE?

A self advocate is a person who knows their rights and stands up for them. They are a person who wants to make their own decisions in their lives and believe in their ability to live as independent and satisfying a life as possible. They also help other people stand up for their rights and live as good a life as possible.

"Nothing about us without us"

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WHO WE ARE

The Center for Self-Advocacy (CSA) is a program run by self-advocates that supports individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families to:

- Become empowered
- Make their own decisions
- Speak up for themselves and others
- Take greater control of their lives
- Build independence and improve quality of life
- Raise awareness about disability issues
- Educate communities and organizations about issues that matter to people with disabilities

