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Recruiting Strong Advocates for DD Council Membership

The Louisiana Developmental Disabilities Council is currently recruiting **individuals with developmental disabilities from any region of the state** to fill an immediate vacancy. The **deadline for applications** in order to be considered for this position is **September 22, 2016**.

Are you or someone you know interested in improving the system of supports for people with developmental disabilities and their families? Do you support the self-determination, independence, productivity and full inclusion of people with developmental disabilities in all facets of community life? If so, please consider submitting an application for membership on the La. Developmental Disabilities Council.

Applicants for this vacancy must be an individual with a developmental disability.

Council members are appointed by the Governor and serve four-year terms. Whenever there is a vacancy, a membership committee of the Council reviews all the applications received throughout the year and makes recommendations to the full Council for approval. Names are then submitted to the Governor for his consideration. [The Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000](#) includes criteria for all states to follow in selecting their DD Council's membership (including the [definition of a developmental disability](#)) and the Louisiana Council takes care to ensure our membership is in compliance with our federal law.

Interested persons should complete the [application for membership](#) prior to the deadline. More information about the Council can be found on [our website](#).