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## **DD Network to Hold Public Input Forums**

Individuals with developmental disabilities, their families, and other stakeholders are encouraged to attend one of two Public Forums hosted by the DD Council and its Network Partners - the Advocacy Center and the LSU Health Sciences Center Human Development Center. Stakeholder input is being sought to help guide the Network's future activities.

Every five years, the Louisiana Developmental Disabilities Council develops a new Five-Year Plan consisting of Goals, Objectives and Implementation Strategies that guide Council advocacy, capacity building, and systems change activities. Council activities contribute to a coordinated, consumer- and family-centered, and consumer- and family-directed comprehensive system of community services, individualized supports, and other forms of assistance that enable individuals with developmental disabilities to exercise self-determination, be independent, productive, and integrated and included in all facets of community life. The next Five-Year Plan will direct the Council's activities for Federal Fiscal Years 2017 - 2021.

Baton Rouge  
February 19, 2015, 11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.  
Louisiana State Archives  
3851 Essen Lane

Shreveport  
March 10, 2015, 11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.  
Hamilton/South Caddo Branch Library  
2111 Bert Kouns Industrial Loop

A light lunch will be provided for registered participants at each forum. Please RSVP to Paige Freeman at [paige.freeman@la.gov](mailto:paige.freeman@la.gov) or 800-450-8108.