



The United 874K Coalition

Established in 2001, this coalition seeks to bring together and strengthen the voices of the growing number of Kentuckians (874,000-plus) who are identified as having a disability which interferes with activities of daily living. The United 874K Coalition is comprised of organizations representing individuals with disabilities, their family members, advocates, providers and concerned citizens.

WHAT DO WE ADVOCATE?

The United 874K Coalition advocates these *Principles of Self-Determination*:

Supports to Live in the Community:

- Inclusion – the act of engaging persons with disabilities in daily activities in the community
- Community Accessibility through full Implementation of the Americans with Disabilities Act
- Consumer-Centered and Consumer-Directed Programs, in which the funding follows the person
- Supportive, Affordable, Accessible Housing
- Expanded Personal Care Attendant Program
- Transportation that is Accessible, Affordable, Accountable, Available and Acceptable
- Assuring Smooth Transitions for the Individual through Coordination of Services
- Access to Healthcare, including Medications and Durable Medical Equipment
- Assistive Technology, including Augmentative Communications
- Full Implementation of KY Accessible Information Technology Act

Supports to be Gainfully Employed or Self-Employed:

- Investment in Medicaid Works Program, including Personal Care Attendants on the Job
- Expansion of Supported Employment and Job Training
- Effective Implementation of the Ticket To Work Program

Education Which is Inclusive and Student-Focused:

- Teachers Should be Prepared to Teach All Children, Regardless of Abilities
- Early Initiation of Transition Planning to Move the Individual through the School System and from School-Based Services to Community-Based Services
- Students and Teachers have Access to Textbooks and Materials that are in the Most Appropriate Format