

Disabilities

ADD – Attention Deficit Disorder

ADHD – Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder

CP – Cerebral Palsy

DD – Developmental Disabilities or Developmentally Delayed

LD – Learning Disability

MI – Mental Illness

ID/DD – Intellectual Disability / Developmental Disability

ED – Emotional Disturbance

TBI – Traumatic Brain Injury

ASD – Autism Spectrum Disorder

Federal Agencies

ACF – Administration for Children and Families

ADD – Administration on Developmental Disabilities

ATBCB – Architecture and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board

CDC – Center for Disease Control

CMS – Centers for Medicaid & Medicare Services

DOE – Department of Education

DOJ – Department of Justice

DRS – Department of Rehabilitation Services

EEOC – Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

HHS – Department of Health and Human Services

HUD – Department of Housing and Urban Development

ICC – Interagency Coordinating Council (for Early Childhood Intervention)

OCR – Office of Civil Rights

OSEP – Office of Special Education Programs under the Department of Education

OSERS – Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation

PCPID - The President's Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities

RSA – Rehabilitation Services Administration

SSA – Social Security Administration

TEFRA – Tax Equity Fiscal Responsibility Act

VA – Veteran's Administration

State Agencies

APD – Agency for Persons with Disabilities

AHCA – The Agency for Health Care Administration

DCF – Department of Children and Families

DDC – Developmental Disabilities Services

Med Waiver – Medicaid Waiver

NCLB – No Child Left Behind Act

PASS – Plan to Achieve Self Sufficiency

PCP – Person-Centered Support Plan

SSDI – Social Security Disability

SSI – Supplemental Security Income

TANF – Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

WIC – Women, Infants, and Children

Other Bureaucratic Shorthand

AT – Assistive Technology

CAP – Client Assistance Program

CILs – Centers for Independent Living

CPS – Child Protective Services

DOH – Department of Health

EI – Early Intervention

ELC – Early Learning Center or Coalition

EPSDT – Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment

ESE – Exceptional Student Education

FAPE – Free Appropriate Public Education

HCBS – Home and Community Based Services

HDC – Human Development Center

ICF/IID - Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities

IEP – Individual Education Program

IFSP – Individual Family Service Plan

IHE – Institutions of Higher Education

IHP – Individualized Habilitation Plan

ILC – Independent Living Center
IPII – Independence, Productivity, Integration, Inclusion
JAN – Job Accommodation Network
LEA – Local Education Agency
LRE – Least Restrictive Environment
MCH – Maternal and Child Health
OT – Occupational Therapy
P.L. – Public Law
P&A – Protection and Advocacy
PAIR – Protection and Advocacy for Individual Rights
PAS – Personal Assistance Services
PIC – Partners for Inclusive Communities
PRC/PERC – Parent (Education) Resource Centers
PT – Physical Therapy
PWD – Person with Disabilities
QMRP – Qualified Mental Retardation Professional
RBT – Registered Behavior Therapist
RR – Resident or Recipient Rights
SABE – Self Advocates Becoming Empowered
SEA – State Education Agency
SILC – Statewide Independent Living Council
SLP – Speech-Language Pathology Services
TA – Technical Assistance

TDD – Telecommunication Device for the Deaf
UCEDD – University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities

Not-for-Profit Organizations

AAIDD – American Association on Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities
AAPD – American Association of People with Disabilities
ACDD – Accreditation Council on Services for People with Developmental Disabilities
AUCD – Association of University Centers on Disabilities
CCD – Consortia for Citizens with Disabilities
CEC – Council for Exceptional Children
HSRI – Human Services Research Institute
NACDD – National Association of Councils on Developmental Disabilities
NASDDS – National Association of State Directors of Developmental Disability Services
NCD – National Council on Disability
NCIL – National Council on Independent Living

NIDRR – National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research
NAMI – National Alliance for the Mentally Ill
NAPAS – National Association of Protection and Advocacy Systems
NICHCY – National Information Center for Children & Youth with Disabilities
NOD – National Organization on Disability
TASH – The American Association for Persons with Severe Handicaps
UCP – United Cerebral Palsy
ARC – The Arc
Federal/State Programs & Laws
ABA – Architectural Barriers Act of 1968
ADA – Americans with Disabilities Act
ADAAG – Americans with Disabilities Act Architectural Guidelines
APS – Adult Protective Services
CHMS – Child Health Management Services
ESY – Extended School Year for Special Education Services
HIPAA – Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act
ICAN – Increasing Capabilities Access Network
IDEA – Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act