Advocating for, supporting, and elevating the Community Disability Services (CDS) sector in Alberta



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About Us

The **Alberta Council of Disability Services** (ACDS) is a non-profit member association of community disability service providers in Alberta. Established in 1972, we work closely with the Government of Alberta and other partners to strengthen the Community Disability Services sector to benefit Albertans with developmental disabilities.

OUR MISSION
ACDS is the collective voice of our members, advancing excellence and best practices, advocating for effective public policy, and championing professional disability services.

OUR VISION
People with disabilities live full lives as citizens supported by a vibrant network of services in their communities.

OUR VALUE

140+ member organizations

16,000 individuals with disabilities supported

18,000 CDS workers employed

Note: The total count of workers and individuals may include duplicates who work at or receive services from multiple ACDS member organizations. This count includes workers and individuals from PDD, FSCD, and ABII.

Our Programs and Services

ADVOCACY
We influence the development of effective public policy to strengthen the CDS sector.

ACCREDITATION
We raise professional standards through the ACDS Creating Excellence Together (CET) accreditation program.

TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT
We build organizational capacity by offering a range of face-to-face, virtual, and online training programs.

We continually engage with our members across the province through consultations, committees, and councils. We collaborate with partners and allies, leveraging our network to connect and strengthen the sector.