

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

400 East Broadway, Ste 409
Bismarck, N.D. 58501

Phone: (701) 328-2950
Toll free: 1-800-472-2670
TDD relay: 711
Fax: (701) 328-3934
E-mail: panda@nd.gov

Emergencies after business hours
and on weekends:
1-800-642-6694

CENTRALIZED INTAKE:

(701) 328-2950 (Bismarck/Mandan)
1-800-472-2670 (Statewide)
1-800-642-6694 (After Hours & Weekends)
panda_intake@nd.gov

www.ndpanda.org

The Protection & Advocacy Project does not discriminate in admission or access to, or employment in, its programs and activities. If accommodations are needed as a result of a disability or if you need this material in an alternative format, please contact the P&A administrative office.

P&A REGIONAL OFFICES

309 Washington Ave. #403
Williston, N.D. 58801
774-4345

1408 20th Ave. SW, Ste 8
Minot, N.D. 58701
857-7686

1015 Hospital Road, Ste F
P.O. Box 1300
Belcourt, N.D. 58316
477-5066

1401 College Drive N
Devils Lake, N.D. 58301
665-4426

311 South Fourth Street #112
Grand Forks, N.D. 58201
795-3800

Sunset Building - Room 327
828 West Chapel Drive
P.O. Box 409 (mail)
Grafton, N.D. 58237
352-4320

1351 Page Drive, Ste 303
Fargo, N.D. 58103
239-7222

2605 Circle Drive
Jamestown, N.D. 58401
253-3295

400 East Broadway, Ste 409
Bismarck, N.D. 58501
328-2950

103 1st Ave. W, Ste 104
Dickinson, N.D. 58601
227-7444



Protection & Advocacy Project

Uniting to champion
the equality and inclusion
of people with disabilities
where we live, learn,
work and play.

WHAT IS P&A?

The Protection & Advocacy Project (P&A) is an independent State agency that protects and advocates for the rights of people with disabilities within established priorities.

P&A serves eligible individuals, of all ages with all types of disabilities, at no cost. P&A also advocates for individuals to receive disability-related assistive technology devices & services.

P&A works exclusively for the person with the disability. P&A's efforts focus on the expressed wishes of the client, within his or her legal rights.

P&A believes that people with disabilities should be empowered to advocate on their own behalf to the extent possible. An individual should have the greatest opportunity to shape his or her personal destiny.

Services provided by P&A shall promote client control in decision-making. P&A focuses on the empowerment of people with disabilities in order to foster independence, productivity, and integration into the community.

CURRENT PRIORITIES

Advocating for the legal rights of individuals with disabilities...

- To be free from harm and mistreatment, and to receive quality services, individualized to each person's needs.
- To have a voting system that is accessible in a manner that provides the same opportunity for access and participation as for other voters.
- To live and receive services in the least restrictive environment.
- To receive disability-related services or accommodations to prevent unnecessary involvement in the criminal justice system or facilitate rehabilitation and re-integration.
- To obtain equal access and full participation in the education system consistent with disability-related rights.
- To have access to meaningful employment at a fair wage.
- To receive adequate medical treatment, services & devices to meet disability-related needs.

SERVICES

Services provided to all North Dakotans:

P&A provides **information & referral**, as well as **education**, to individuals and organizations. Training topics include disability-related rights & self advocacy.

Services provided to eligible individuals:

- **Advocacy assistance** - limited assistance for disability-related problems
- **Advocacy representation** - representation by a P&A advocate for identified rights violations
- **Legal representation** - representation by an attorney when an identified rights violation cannot be resolved through advocacy
- **Protective services** - activities in response to alleged abuse, neglect or exploitation of individuals with disabilities

Other services include:

- **Systems advocacy** to address broad concerns with disability services and rights
- Support to **advocacy groups**
- Sharing **legislative & policy information**