What does the DD Act say About the Purpose of the CAC?

- Advise the UCEDD director
- Provide guidance and feedback in the development of the 5-year plan
- Each year, provide guidance and feedback on how the UCEDD is doing with their 5-year plan
What does the DD Act say About the Members of the CAC?

The majority (over half) must be individuals with developmental and related disabilities and family members, such as:

- Parents
- Siblings
- Grandparents
- Step-parents
- Aunts
- Uncles
- Nieces
- Nephews
What does the DD Act say About the Members of the CAC?

The CAC must also include representatives from:

– State P&A
– State DD Council
– Other UCEDDs in state
– Self-Advocacy organization
– Organizations such as:
  • Parent and Training Information Center
  • Those carrying out the Assistive Technology Act
  • Relevant State Agencies
  • Community groups concerned with people with developmental disabilities and their family members
What does the DD Act say About the Members of the CAC?

The members of the CAC must reflect the racial and ethnic diversity of the state.
What is the Basic Role of a CAC?

- Advise and guide the work of the UCEDD
- Help create and move toward the vision of the UCEDD
- Contribute to compliance of the UCEDD with the DD Act: the function (and make up) of CACs is required by law
- Serve as an informal bridge between the community and the university in our state