

	<b>IMPROVEMENT ASSURANCE GROUP</b>	<b>UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA (UCEDD)</b>
<b>Target Population</b>	90 participants- state and local agency employees, policy makers, family members, individuals with I/DD; DDD-funded providers; state agencies	Adults with I/DD and their families and caregivers who have witnessed or been victims of sexual abuse. Individuals will have option to bring caregiver or support staff with them.
<b>Location</b>	Statewide; possibly online	Focus groups in Tucson (1), Phoenix (1), and Flagstaff (1). Community forums in Tucson (1), Phoenix (2), and Flagstaff (1); online
<b>Research Questions</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is the process for a person with I/DD to report sexual violence/abuse in a               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. DDD-funded or RHBA-funded group home;</li> <li>b. Family home;</li> <li>c. Adult developmental home;</li> <li>d. At school;</li> <li>e. Day treatment program for adults (DTA)?</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. How is the person and family made aware of this process?</li> <li>3. What actions are taken if the perpetrator is the guardian or it's another resident with I/DD?</li> <li>4. When are cases substantiated, and how?</li> <li>5. What are the outcomes of these reports to the people and organization (if applicable) involved?</li> <li>6. What are current staffing, regulatory, or legislative requirements, barriers, and successes to detection, reporting, tracking and monitoring, and prevention efforts among state agencies and organizations regarding the I/DD population?</li> <li>7. How are organizations and state agencies currently working together to address sexual violence/abuse detection, reporting, tracking, monitoring, and prevention among the population with I/DD? What's working in these relationships, and what are the gaps?</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Who are the individuals, organizations, and systems involved in reporting incidents of sexual violence/abuse, investigating allegations, collecting evidence, and determining the appropriate process or next steps?</li> <li>2. What are the incentives or disincentives to reporting sexual violence and abuse?</li> <li>3. When do we investigate sexual violence and abuse and what data are collected?</li> <li>4. Where are data on violence and abuse kept, how is it organized and monitored, and who has access to this information? Is there a process to request this information?</li> <li>5. How are individuals with I/DD and their families made aware about the process to report sexual violence/abuse and how to advocate for themselves?</li> <li>6. Why has sexual violence/abuse against persons with I/DD not been a priority?</li> </ol> <p>Questions 1 and 5 address ADDPC's concerns about the reporting process within different types of settings such as residential 5 settings, healthcare facilities and service agencies. It will also uncover concerns about reporting from other groups or individuals. We will examine how individuals with I/DD, families, school personnel, service/support personnel and other stakeholders are made aware of the reporting process and how systems involved use information</p>

	<p>8. What are individuals' with I/DD, families', providers', and DDD support coordinator's experiences, knowledge, and perspectives on sexual violence/abuse identification, reporting, training, and prevention?</p> <p>9. What are overall recommendations to ensure that Arizona works towards elimination of sexual violence/abuse of people with I/DD? Share best practices.</p>	<p>about sexual violence/abuse. We will expand this to include elder-law attorneys, fiduciaries, and health care providers.</p> <p>Questions 2, 3, and 4 address the following questions posed by ADDPC.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Current staffing, regulatory or legislative requirements reporting, tracking and monitoring, and prevention efforts among state agencies and organizations regarding the I/DD population.</li> <li>- How organizations and state agencies currently working together to address sexual violence/abuse detection, reporting, tracking, monitoring, and prevention among the population with I/DD.</li> <li>- Barriers and successes.</li> <li>- Experiences, knowledge, and perspectives on sexual violence/abuse identification, reporting, training, and prevention from individuals with I/DD, families, providers, and DDD support coordinators. Question 6 addresses the need for recommendations to ensure that Arizona works towards the elimination of sexual violence/abuse against people with I/DD. We will identify and share best practices.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Method</b></p>	<p>Concurrent triangular design; 15 focus groups; possible online focus group to engage individuals with I/DD and families in rural areas; up to 15 1:1 interviews/discussions with state agencies; state agency records reviews; survey; qualitative and quantitative analyses</p>	<p>3 focus groups of maximum 10 individuals each; 4 community forums of 20-40 people each; online survey; literature/legislative review; qualitative and quantitative analyses</p>
<p><b>Products</b></p>	<p>Condensed report with infographics; final report; geomap of the state and DDD-funded providers</p>	<p>Executive summary; final report; condensed report written in plain language with visual graphics; findings presentation; new information will replace outdated sections in the existing My House My Home: Real Homes for Real People manual with and providing a checklist in plain language for individuals, family, caregivers, to help identify and report sexual violence/abuse. This will also include personal safety tips.</p>
<p><b>Partners</b></p>	<p>APS, DDD, ADE, Arizonans for Children, AZ Aspire, Gilbert Public Schools, Arizona Children's Association, ACDL, Mercy Care, DCS, Pinal County Medical Forensic Services, Yavapai Community College, ACFAN, Phoenix Children's Hospital,</p>	<p>SUCEDD Community Advisory Committee; AZ State Agencies and legislators (for participant recruitment purposes); NAU IHD; ACDL; Emerge! Center Against Domestic Abuse; Arizona Coalition to End Domestic Violence; The Arc of Arizona; local</p>

	City of Maricopa Police Department, ASU PD, Mesa Police Department, A Place All My Own; The Arc of Arizona	Arc chapters throughout the state; DIRECT Center for Independence
<b>Budget</b>	Grant Funded Costs: \$92,572.50 Match: \$47,883.75 Total: \$140,456.25	Grant Funded Costs: \$99,596 Match: \$0 Total: \$99,596