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## Our Response to Sexual Assault

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# Report: Preventing Sexual Abuse

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## SEXUAL ABUSE OF ARIZONANS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL AND OTHER DISABILITIES

2019 Legislative and Regulatory  
Recommendations for Prevention



January 2019

THE SHOW

## First Hacienda-Related Bill Signed By Arizona Gov. Doug Ducey

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Following news that an incapacitated woman gave birth after being [raped at Hacienda HealthCare](#), an advocacy group issued a report containing recommendations to try and prevent sex abuse among people with disabilities, and [some measures](#) are gaining traction in the Arizona Legislature.

# Keep up with Bills

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# Executive Order: Preventing Abuse



*Governor Ducey issues order  
on Feb. 6*

## STATE OF ARIZONA ★ EXECUTIVE ORDER

Executive Order 2019-03

### Relating to Enhanced Protections for Individuals with Disabilities

**WHEREAS**, all Arizonans deserve to be safe wherever they reside;

**WHEREAS**, vulnerable populations including individuals with disabilities are at increased risk of abuse and exploitation;

**WHEREAS**, the Bureau of Justice Statistics National Crime Victimization Survey found that individuals with disabilities are three times more likely to be victims of violent crime;

**WHEREAS**, individuals with intellectual disabilities are seven times more likely to be sexually assaulted;

**WHEREAS**, these statistics underscore the need for heightened protections for individuals with disabilities living in group homes, intermediate care facilities, and other residential settings.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Arizona hereby order as follows:

- 1.) The Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS), the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS), and the Department of Economic Security (DES), in conjunction with disability advocates, shall review current protocols and jointly develop training on preventing abuse and neglect, recognizing the signs and symptoms of abuse and neglect, and reporting abuse and neglect for both providers for people with disabilities and for parents and guardians.
- 2.) AHCCCS, DHS, and DES shall ensure that all state contracts related to the care of individuals with disabilities include a requirement that all staff, contractors, and vendors who have direct interaction with members with disabilities shall annually undergo training in preventing, recognizing, and reporting abuse and neglect.
- 3.) AHCCCS, DHS, and DES shall ensure that all state contracts for residential, group homes and day programs for individuals with disabilities include a requirement for the prominent posting of signage which includes department approved language on how to report abuse and neglect.

# “Just Do It”

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- Require Initial Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation Training annually for all DDD staff
- Report APS data to the public
- License Hacienda Healthcare ICF/IID



# “In the Works”

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- License all 11 State Operated ICF/IIDs
- Ensure alignment across the three state agencies



# Governor's Abuse/Neglect Prevention Task Force Collaboration

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- Self-advocates and/or their families on each Work Group
- Multiple agencies involved
- Duplication and Rework
- Coordination required
- Risk of retraumatizing





# House Ad Hoc Committee on Abuse & Neglect

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# Funding for Research (GRANTED 7/1/19)

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**GRANT OPPORTUNITY**

**SEXUAL VIOLENCE**

**RESEARCH**

# ADDPC Next Steps

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- Sex Abuse Roundtable
- Support federal funding for APS programs
- Ensure DD populations included in ACEs training
- Sex abuse video
- In-house Reports

