

Mission:

The Advisory Council on Quality Supports for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities and their Families advises the New Mexico Department of Health on the provision of good quality services and supports that assist individuals with developmental disabilities of all ages and their families to be fully included in New Mexico communities.

Vision:

Individuals with developmental disabilities of all ages and their families live successfully in New Mexico communities with the provision of good quality support and services.

Values:

Community Inclusion: Individuals with developmental disabilities of all ages are fully included in community life, are able to secure and maintain naturally occurring support, and are able to rely upon services and supports that enhance life choices in relationships, school, work, where to live and how to participate in community.

Everyone is Valued: Each and every person with a developmental disability and their family members have gifts and strengths and are valued members of New Mexico communities.

Self-Determination: Individuals with developmental disabilities and families have the freedom to make life choices, are able to self-directed supports and services and are accountable and responsible for their choices and decisions. Those providing supports and services honor the choices and the self-direction of individuals with developmental disabilities and their families.

Respect: The diversity, culture, differences, history and privacy of individuals with developmental disabilities and families are respected. Providers of supports and services are respected for the good work they do.

Quality of Life: Quality of life is individually determined by persons with disabilities and their families.

Quality of Services: Good quality services and supports are readily available, adequate and appropriate, ethical, based on individual need, considerate and supportive of individuals and family desires, individual and family friendly, and holistic.

Dignity of Risk: Individuals with developmental disabilities and families can determine how they want to balance safety with the opportunities they wish to pursue. Regulation and monitoring should not be intrusive and should not deter individuals and families from determining how they will balance safety and opportunity.