



2012 Adopt-a-Legislator Advocacy Teams

The 2011 Adopt-a-Legislator campaign was a huge success! Participants collectively adopted more than half of the state legislature. Meaningful connections were made with legislators and voices were heard at the Capitol and legislative offices across the state! These advocacy efforts make a difference by increasing awareness of DD issues and building a foundation of support within the legislative community.

The 2012 legislative session is quickly approaching and Advocacy Teams are being organized once again. One legislators even said "I hope my adoption goes well!" when told of the upcoming adoption process.

We are encouraging advocates who participated in 2011 to consider adopting another legislator while staying in contact with the legislator that you adopted last session. Members of each Advocacy Team will receive exciting new "Print and GO!" advocacy materials and ongoing support from the GO Project. Photos and activity updates will once again be shared through Facebook, email and the DD Coalition website.

Do not delay... Adopt your Legislator Today!

Here's How to Get Started:

1. Go to www.leg.state.or.us/findlegsltr/ and type in your home address to find out the District Number under the name of the State Senator and State Representative.
2. Select which legislator you wish to adopt and email the GO! Project Coordinator, Cheryl Cisneros at info@oregonddcoalition.org with your name; role (self-advocate, family member or brokerage/provider); the name of your organizational team (if applicable); and your legislator's name.
3. Immediately upon receiving confirmation from the GO! Project Coordinator, you will be given an adoption certificate and special tips that will help get you connected with your newly adopted legislator.

As advocacy activities are completed each month, send an update to the GO Project Coordinator, Cheryl Cisneros via email at info@oregonddcoalition.org

Now, Let's GO!