The Institute’s research to practice initiatives support the advancement of applied research, evaluation, and public policy; outreach that is community oriented and state-wide; technical assistance activities that are collaborative, systematic, and results driven; and educational preparation that supports the pre-service and in-service training of professionals to become leaders in the field.

**Research to Practice**

**76,642** people impacted at **651** events

- **48** research and evaluation projects
- **8,710** hours of training and technical assistance provided
- **108** boards and committees with IIDC involvement

- **8,000+** library holdings available to Indiana residents

**Leaders of Tomorrow**

- **1,480** Indiana University students impacted by the Institute
- **239** students taught during academic courses in 2017
- **4,514** credit hours generated by Indiana University students
- **102** masters and doctoral level students mentored or advised*

*since 2012

**Scholarship**

- **86** electronic, newsletters, and related products
- **102** conference presentations
- **23** reports and monographs
- **133** distance learning projects
- **9** peer reviewed journal articles
- **3** master’s or doctoral level theses in progress
A FOUNDATION OF EXCELLENCE

The Indiana Institute on Disability and Community (IIDC), Indiana’s University Center for Excellence in Disabilities, has fostered a foundation of excellence for community investment in developmental disabilities since 1970. Our mission is to work with communities to welcome, value, and support the meaningful participation of people of all ages and abilities through research, education, and service.

Our work crosses the lifespan and is conducted through six centers and an Indiana University disability-focused library accessible to all state residents.

ADVANCING IMPROVEMENT IN POLICY AND PRACTICES IN DISABILITY

The Indiana Institute is a bridge that connects the university to the broader community through the sharing of ideas and innovations to improve communities and lives. The Institute’s work achieves this through:

- **Advocacy**: Advancing effective policy and best practices by informing and educating decision makers.
- **Coalition Development**: Developing collaborative solutions by connecting and convening diverse community stakeholders.
- **Family Engagement**: Supporting families through partnerships among educators and human service providers to strengthen learning, independence, and community connections.
- **Information Dissemination**: Communicating and sharing information and research findings with broad constituencies over various mediums.
- **Pre-Service Education and Preparation**: Supporting the training of professionals to become leaders and prepare future practitioners to implement best practices in the field.
- **Research, Evaluation and Policy Analysis**: Conducting disciplined inquiry to test and improve policies, programs, and practices.
- **Training and Technical Assistance**: Building capacity to support community members and professionals in applying specific skills and best practices.

A LIFESPAN APPROACH TO DISABILITIES

Imagine communities that facilitate and support equitable access to a desirable life for all people.

**EARLY CHILDHOOD**

Where family-community partnerships provide all families the supports they need to nurture, teach, and advocate for their children.

**SCHOOL-AGE**

Where the capacity of educational systems and universally designed services meet the needs of all students.

**ADULTHOOD**

Where access is improved and expanded to provide opportunities for competitive integrated employment and community living.

**AGING**

Where individuals participate in all facets of community life and have choice and control over their health and independence.

RESEARCH CENTERS AT THE INDIANA INSTITUTE

- Early Childhood Center on Education and Lifelong Learning
- Center on Community Living and Careers
- Center for Health Equity
- Center for Collaborative Systems Change
- Indiana Resource Center for Autism

INSTITUTE STAFF ADVANCE IMPROVEMENT IN POLICY AND PRACTICES IN DISABILITY THROUGH . . .

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A COMMUNITY WHERE YOU BELONG