

# National Disability Rights Network

## AAPD Fall Intern Position Description

### Who We Are:

The National Disability Rights Network (NDRN) is the national membership association for the 57 Protection & Advocacy (P&A) agencies and Client Assistance Programs (CAP) that advocate on behalf of persons with disabilities in every state, the District of Columbia, and U.S. territories. NDRN's member organizations serve individuals with a wide range of disabilities including, but not limited to, those with intellectual, mental, sensory, and physical disabilities by guarding against abuse and neglect and advocating for civil rights. Collectively, the P&A / CAP Network is the largest provider of legally-based advocacy services for people with disabilities in the United States. The policy department at NDRN works not only on legislation impacting the P&A / CAP Network, but takes a national leadership role in legislation that impact people with disabilities.

### Job Description:

Interns at NDRN will have the opportunity to be involved in a range of activities related to formulating public policy protecting and enhancing the rights of persons with all types of disabilities. Issue areas could include healthcare, education, mental health, employment, community integration, housing, and transportation. We attempt to the best of our ability to match interns with public policy areas of interest to them.

Interns will conduct research, assist in writing legislative recommendations, hearing statements, and policy papers, as well as represent NDRN at coalition and other meetings, Hill briefings, and hearings. Interns will also accompany NDRN staff to meetings with Hill and Administration officials. NDRN produces yearly reports focused on our individual programs, as well as specific topics (education, juvenile justice, etc.) and past interns have played a primary role in producing one of these reports focused on a topic of interest to the individual.

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