

Early this week, a leaked internal budget draft revealed major changes proposed for the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). If adopted, these changes would eliminate or restructure key programs supporting people with disabilities nationwide.



# **Key Disability Agencies Proposed for Elimination** Leaked FY2026 HHS Budget Draft



### State Councils on Developmental Disabilities (DD Councils)

- -\$81 million Budget for all DD Councils in FY25
  - Promotes advocacy, leadership, and systems change for people with developmental disabilities at the state level.



## **Developmental Disabilities Protection and Advocacy Agencies (P&A)**

- -\$45 million Budget for all P&A in FY25
  - Provides legal representation and protects the civil and human rights of people with disabilities.



## **University Centers for Excellence in Developmental** Disabilities (UCEDD)

- -Funding amount varies by center
- Conduct national leadership in disability research, education, community service, and training.



#### Long-Term Care Ombudsman

- -\$22 million allocated in FY25
  - Advocates for residents in nursing homes and other longterm care facilities to ensure dignity and quality care.



#### **Voting Access for People with Disabilities**

- -\$10 million allocated in FY25
  - Supports full participation of people with disabilities in the electoral process, including accessible voting systems.



