**Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities**

# Application for Membership



**Completion of this form is a requirement to apply for appointment to the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities. Information submitted on this form may be subject to public disclosure under the Georgia Open Records Act (O.C.G.A. 50-18-70).**

Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities (GCDD)

Sloppy Floyd Building, West Tower 200 Piedmont Avenue SE Suite 426, 4th Floor, Atlanta, GA 30334

Attention: Fanta Mitchell

If you have any questions or need support completing your application, please call (404) 657-2126 or 1-888-275-4233 or email Eric Foss at Eric.Foss@gcdd.ga.gov

*All fields with an \* (asterisk) are required fields. Those sections must be filled out to consider your application complete*.

# Section I: Biographical Information

\* **Full Name**

First Name

Middle Initial

Last Name

\* **Residence Address**

Street Address 1Street Address 2

City

State

ZipCode

**Mailing Address (if different from Residence Address)**

Street Address 1Street Address 2

City

State

ZipCode

\* **E-mail address**

\* **Phone Number**

* **Cell Phone** **[ ]  Landline** **[ ]**

\* **Birthdate** (mm/dd/yyyy)

\* **Race/Ethnicity:**

[ ]  American Indian or Alaska Native

[ ]  Asian

[ ]  Black or African American

[ ]  Hispanic/Latino/Spanish

[ ]  Middle Eastern

[ ]  Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander

[ ]  White

[ ]  Not listed, Other

[ ]  I prefer not to answer

If Other was selected, please provide:

\* **Gender**

*(cont.)*

# Geographical Information

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\* **What area of Georgia do you live in?**

*Please check your region based on the map:*

[ ]  1 – North Georgia

[ ]  2 – East Central Georgia

[ ]  3 – Metro Atlanta

[ ]  4 – Southwestern Georgia

[ ]  5 – Southeastern Georgia

[ ]  6 – West Central Georgia

# Section II: Relationship to People with Developmental Disabilities

Developmental disability is defined as: a significant, chronic disability that begins before age 22 and is likely to continue throughout life.

A developmental disability has a major impact on the person’s life in at least 3 of the following areas:

* Self-care
* Language
* Learning
* Mobility
* Self-direction
* Capacity for independent living
* Economic self-sufficiency

*(cont.)*

\* **Please select all that applies:**

**[ ]  I am a Georgia Resident with a developmental disability.**

Please tell us how your disability impacts you.

**Have you ever lived in an institution, or do you live in one now?**

*Institution means a place that provides food, shelter, and some treatment or services to four or more people not related to the administrator.*

**[ ]  Yes** **[ ]  No** **[ ]  I am not sure.**

**[ ]  I am a Parent, Family Member, or Legal Guardian of a Georgia Resident (under age 18) with a Developmental Disability.**

Please tell us how the child’s disability impacts them**.**

**Has the child with a developmental disability ever lived in an institution, or do they live in one now?** *Institution means a place that provides food, shelter, and some treatment or services to four or more people not related to the administrator.*

**[ ]  Yes** **[ ]  No** **[ ]  I am not sure.**

**[ ]  I am a Parent, Family Member, or Legal Guardian of a Georgia Resident (18 or older) with a Developmental Disability.**

Please tell us how your adult relative’s disability impacts them.

**Has your adult relative ever lived in an institution, or do they live in one now?**

*Institution means a place that provides food, shelter, and some treatment or services to four or more people not related to the administrator.*

**[ ]  Yes** **[ ]  No** **[ ]  I am not sure.**

**[ ]  I am representing a non-government organization or nonprofit. Please specify the organization or agency you are representing.** *(Note: if your application is selected for membership, membership will be in the name of the organization or agency, rather than a specific individual.)*

**Name of organization or nonprofit**:

**Address of Nonprofit**

Street Address 1Street Address 2

CityStateZipCode

**How does your organization support people with developmental disabilities in Georgia?**

**Is this organization:**

**[ ]  A Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) –** defined as an organization not under Government control, that according to federal law cannot be religious or military in nature.

**[ ]  A nonprofit organization –** defined as a private non-profit with a voluntary board

**[ ]  Both a non-governmental and non-profit organization**

# Section III: Membership to the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities

**If you are applying on behalf of an organization, please substitute “your organization” for “you” in the questions below.**

**Does your employer receive funds from GCDD?** **[ ]  Yes** **[ ]  No**

If yes, what is your job title?

**Have you ever served on the Council?** **[ ]  Yes** **[ ]  No**

If you have, when did you serve on Council?

\* **Why do you want to become a member of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities?**

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\* **What strengths do you bring to the role of council member?**

\* **What is your experience with improving the lives of people with developmental disabilities?** *This may include volunteer experience, advocacy, and any work with community.*

\* **What are your ideas to improve the lives of Georgians with developmental disabilities and their families?**

**Do you require any accommodations to participate as a Council member**? If yes, describe accommodations needed (accessible transportation, personal care provider, interpreter, facilitator, special dietary requirements,etc**,)**

# \* Section IV: Signature

I understand that any information obtained by a personal history background investigation which is developed directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, upon this release authorization will be for use by the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities in determining my suitability for appointment to the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities.

\* **Applicant’s Full Name Printed**

\* **Applicant’s Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

\* **Date**

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# How to Submit Your Application

## Completed applications can be sent in the following ways:

**By mail:**

Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities (GCDD)

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**By email** to membership@gcdd.org with “Council Member Application” in the subject line.

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