

# The South Carolina Disability & Health Program

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# Community Leadership Academy

- ▶ Purpose: To increase participation of individuals with disabilities on boards, committees, and councils.
- ▶ The CLA trains advocates to use their influence to advocate for and help implement policies and programs that improve their community and health.
- ▶ Outcomes: 152 Graduates
- ▶ Lessons Learned
  - ▶ Be sure align graduates with boards they had a strong interest
  - ▶ Identify organizations that have an interest with having a person with a disability on their board
  - ▶ Refresher course

<https://youtu.be/33C1uLDSUUC>

# Accessibility Assessments of School Playgrounds & County Parks and Recreation Sites

- ▶ Purpose: To identify barriers of participation through the use of accessibility assessments conducted regarding playgrounds.
- ▶ Setting: Public School Playgrounds and Park and Recreation sites
- ▶ Collaborations: Able SC, Eat Smart Move More SC, SC Department of Health and Environmental Control
- ▶ Lessons Learned
  - ▶ Schools were more willing to allow us to complete an assessments when they were getting ready to apply for funding.
  - ▶ Utilizing our partnerships to gain access to the school and county park and recreation playgrounds

[All Play Together Video](#)



# Medical Students Teaching

- ▶ Target Population: University of South Carolina, School of Medicine M2 & M3 students
- ▶ The instruction for M2 students emphasizes communication to and about people with disability utilizing first-person language; ways of modifying interaction for people with different types of disability; and covering specific healthcare needs of people with various disabilities
- ▶ For M3 students, instruction provided a hands-on experience for patient lifting procedures and specific information about spinal cord injury and intellectual disability medical issues are taught along with other aspects of disability care
- ▶ Outcomes: ~900 medical students have completed the M2 and M3 training

[Disability Lecture Video](#)

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