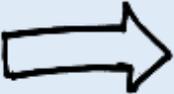
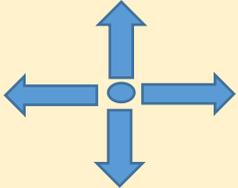


## What is the Role of the Washington State Developmental Disabilities Council?

<p><b>4 Lenses for Creating Our State Plan</b></p> 	<p><b>Systems Change</b></p> 	<p><b>Individual and Family Advocacy</b></p> 	<p><b>Capacity Building</b></p> 	<p><b>Equity (Targeted Disparity)</b></p> 
<p><b>Big Question</b></p> 	<p>What are we doing to change the system to work better for people with developmental disabilities (DD) and their families?</p>	<p>How are we advocating for people with DD and their families?</p>	<p>How are we helping individuals and organizations improve how they support people with DD and their families?</p>	<p>How does our work benefit people who reflect the diversity of our state?</p>
<p><b>Other Questions to Think About</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How do we identify policies, supports, services, and programs that need to be changed?</li> <li>• How do we prioritize what systems changes to focus on?</li> <li>• Who are we collaborating with and how?</li> <li>• What is the role of our DD Network partners?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How do we identify and prioritize advocacy needs?</li> <li>• How do we advocate?</li> <li>• How do we help others advocate?</li> <li>• How are we meeting the needs of self-advocates and family advocates?</li> <li>• How are we providing information and resources to the DD community?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What kind of training and technical assistance are we providing to:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ People with DD</li> <li>○ Families</li> <li>○ Service systems</li> <li>○ Other organizations</li> </ul> </li> <li>• How are we identifying and prioritizing needs for capacity building?</li> <li>• How are we identifying individuals/organizations to support?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are the geographic, ethnic, socioeconomic, and service eligibility demographics of the people who benefit from our work?</li> <li>• Which communities are we working with and how do we communicate with them?</li> <li>• Who serves on our Council and staff?</li> <li>• Whom do we give grants to?</li> <li>• Whom do we contract with?</li> </ul>
<p><b>Council Resources</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do we have staff, money, and/or a priority issue that highlights the need for Council involvement?</li> <li>• Are other organizations or other agencies doing this, and are they successful?</li> <li>• What resources can the Council provide to make an impact?</li> </ul>			