

MEDIA ADVISORY:**Disability Rights Advocacy Day 2025:
Amplifying Voices for Policy Change****Date:** Thursday, March 6, 2025**Time:** 8 AM – 12:15 PM, MST**Location:** Colorado State Capitol, 200 E Colfax Ave, Denver, CO 80203

DENVER, CO – On Thursday, March 6, 2025, Disability Rights Advocacy Day (D-RAD) will bring together individuals with disabilities, advocates, and lawmakers at the Colorado State Capitol to champion disability rights and drive policy changes. This annual event highlights the critical role people with disabilities play in shaping policies that affect their lives. D-RAD 2025 aims to amplify the voices of individuals with disabilities, providing a platform for direct engagement with policymakers and advocating for inclusive legislation.

Media representatives are invited to attend **the press conference** at **11:45 AM** in the **West Foyer**, where **Rep. Chad Clifford** and other legislators will discuss ongoing efforts and upcoming initiatives in disability rights. A complete list of speakers will be provided on the day of the event.

Event Highlights:

- **8 AM – 9 AM:** Welcome Breakfast and Stakeholder Networking
 - **Location:** *West Foyer, First Floor*
- **9 AM – 9:30 AM:** House & Senate Floor Tributes with Legislators and Constituents
 - **Location:** *House & Senate Gallery, Third Floor*
- **9:30 AM – 11:30 AM:** Meetings with Legislators & Legislative Staff (by appointment), Bill Previews, and Networking
 - **Location:** *West Foyer*
- **11:45 AM – 12:05PM: Disability Rights Legislator Champions Press Conference**
 - **Location:** *West Foyer*
 - **Speakers include:**
 - Lieutenant Governor Dianne Primavera
 - Rep. Chad Clifford
 - Sen. Jessie Danielson
 - Rep. Manny Rutinel
 - Rep. Meg Froelich
 - Rep. Yara Zokaie
 - Rep. Gretchen Rydin
 - CDOO (HB24-1360, Colorado Disability Opportunities Office) Executive Director, Danny Combs
 - Additional speakers to announced day of the event.**
- **12:05 PM – 12:15 PM:** Closing Remarks and Grab-n-Go Boxed Lunches
 - **Location:** *West Foyer*

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possible. For interviews or more information, please contact **Felix Ortiz** at 720-202-9871 or fortiz@disabilitylawco.org. For **day of event** media contact, please reach out to **Elizabeth Moran** at 720-660-9794 or emoran@thearcofco.org.

[Official Proclamation from the Governor's Office](#)

Community Partners: Disability Law Colorado, Brain Injury Association of Colorado, The Arc of Adams County, Atlantis Community Inc., Colorado Cross-Disability Coalition, Colorado Center for Aging, Center for People with Disabilities, Family Voices Colorado, Association of Colorado Centers for Independent Living, Rocky Mountain Down Syndrome Association, and many others.

Event Sponsors: The Arc of Colorado, Disability Law Colorado, JFK Partners, PASCO, Craig Hospital, Alliance, Peak Parent Center, Colorado Developmental Disabilities Council, Rocky Mountain Orthotic & Prosthetic Coalition, and Colorado Cross Disabilities Coalition.

Note: Accessibility accommodations, including CART and ASL interpretation, will be provided throughout the event. For specific accessibility needs or questions, please contact Yaletzi Rodriguez at <mailto:emoran@thearcofco.org> or yrodriguez@thearcofco.org

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About Disability Rights Advocacy Day: Disability Rights Advocacy Day is an annual event dedicated to empowering individuals with disabilities to actively participate in the legislative process. By facilitating direct engagement with lawmakers, D-RAD strives to promote policies that uphold the rights and dignity of people with disabilities. For more information, visit: www.disabilityrightsadvocacyday.org

About Disability Law Colorado: Disability Law Colorado is a nonprofit civil rights organization, authorized by federal law to combat discrimination, abuse, and neglect. We aim to make Colorado the best place in America to live and work with a disability. For more information, visit www.disabilitylawco.org.