

WE ARE HERE ALL YEAR

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH

March 6, 2026

Puesto Annex

Logos include: Northern Marianas Protection & Advocacy System, Inc., Division of Youth Services, CNMI Council on DD/AT Program, and University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities.

AGENDA

8:00-8:30am Registration/Sign-in	9:30am-11:30 2027-2031 Council on Dev. Disabilities State Plan Survey
8:30-9:00am Welcoming/Introductions	
9:00-9:30am	11:30-12:30pm Lunch
*2026 Rota Champions of Equal Op.	12:30-4:00pm *NMPASI Presentation
*2026 DYS Parent Leader Awards	*UCEDD Presentation
*Closing Remarks / Survey	*Survey



2026 Rota Champions of Equal Opportunity

2026 Rota DYS Parent Leaders



2026 Rota Advocate:

Robert Mendiola

2026 Rota Educator Advocate:

Elvira Mesngon

2026 Rota Employer Advocate:

Kin & Rit Enterprise

2026 Rota Family Advocate:

Angie Anna M.H. Muna

2026 Rota Legislative Advocate:

Rota Mayor's Office

2026 Rota Parent Leader:

Mark Manglona

Rita Hocog Inos Jr/Sr. HS

2026 Rota Parent Leader:

Tina S. Mesngon

Sinapalo Elementary School



A Message From Our Sponsors

CNMI Council on DD/AT Program

We are here all year—not just during one month, but every day—advocating, empowering, and advancing opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities. Inclusion is not a celebration we turn on and off; it is a commitment we live through our actions, policies, and partnerships. This month, we recognize the strength, resilience, and achievements of individuals with developmental disabilities who enrich our islands in countless ways. Meet us, know us, involve us because building an inclusive CNMI takes all of us, all year.



DCCA - Division of Youth Services

We are here all year — strengthening families across the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and supporting individuals with developmental disabilities in every village and on every island. During Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month, we reaffirm our commitment to inclusion, opportunity, and collaboration to build a more responsive and inclusive CNMI.



Northern Marianas Protection & Advocacy System, Inc.

The Northern Marianas Protection & Advocacy Systems, Inc. (NMPASI) works to ensure the rights of people with disabilities are protected. We appreciate this year's theme, "We Are Here All Year", as it reminds us and our community that people experience discrimination and/or barriers to services not only during awareness months, but all year long.



University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities

"We Are Here All Year." Inclusion, advocacy, and opportunity do not end in March - they are commitments we uphold every day. We celebrate the strengths, leadership, and contributions of people with developmental disabilities across our communities. **Stronger Together**, we call on our entire community to stand united, support one another, and continue building a future where everyone belongs - all year long.



*Our sponsors would also like to express our deepest appreciation for the continued support and collaboration of the **Disability Network Partners!***