



# THE BOGGS CENTER ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

*New Jersey's University Center  
for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities*

*New Jersey's Leadership Education  
in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities Program*

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## Mission

The Boggs Center, as a University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities, values uniqueness and individuality and promotes the self-determination and full participation of people with disabilities and their families in all aspects of community life.

As a catalyst and resource, The Boggs Center, through partnerships and collaborations, builds capacity in organizations, systems, and communities in a culturally competent manner. The Boggs Center prepares students through interdisciplinary programs, provides community training and technical assistance, conducts research, and disseminates information and educational materials.

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The Boggs Center is named for Elizabeth Monroe Boggs, PhD (pictured above), considered to have been the leading authority in the field of developmental disabilities policy.

### **The Boggs Center on Developmental Disabilities**

is part of a national network of University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities Education Research, and Service (UCEDD) sponsored by the Office of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (OIDD), Administration on Disabilities, Administration for Community Living, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

The purpose of University Centers, as outlined in the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act, is to provide a leadership role at the state level in the promotion of independence, productivity, and the full inclusion of people with developmental disabilities in all facets of community life.

The Boggs Center is New Jersey's federally designated University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities and is an integral component of Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, Department of Pediatrics. Since its inception in 1983, The Center has emphasized a community based, lifespan approach to meeting the needs of individuals with developmental disabilities and their families. In 2016, The Boggs Center was designated as New Jersey's Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities (NJLEND) program.

The Boggs Center provides community and student training and technical assistance, conducts research, and disseminates information and educational materials. Activities of The Boggs Center are guided by its Consumer Advisory Council and partnerships with people with disabilities, families, state and community agencies, and policy makers.

## Program Areas

### **Inclusive Community Supports**

- Cultural Competence
- Developmental Disabilities Lecture Series
- Direct Support Professional Workforce Development & Frontline Supervision
- Meaningful Day
- Mental Health & Dual Diagnosis
- New Jersey Partners in Policymaking
- Person-Centered Planning & Supports
- Positive Behavior Support in the Community
- Supporting Children with Complex Behavior Needs

### **Employment**

- Supported Employment Training and Technical Assistance

### **Education & Transition**

- Community-Based Instruction
- Person-Centered Approaches in Schools and Transition (PCAST)
- Positive Behavior Support in Schools
- Transition to Adult Life/Post-Secondary Education

### **Health**

- Aging, Grief, & Loss Issues for Adults with Developmental Disabilities
- Health Services Research
- Primary Health Care Coordination for Adults with Disabilities in collaboration with Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, Department of Family Medicine and Community Health
- Transition to Adult Health Care

## Public Policy

- Dissemination of Information
- Planning and Consultation

## Student Programs

- New Jersey Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities (NJLEND) program
- Interdisciplinary Traineeship in Developmental Disabilities
- Medical Student Seminar on Family Centered Care and Developmental Disabilities
- Rutgers School of Social Work, Office of Continuing Education, Certificate Program in Developmental Disabilities
- Rutgers School of Social Work, Current Issues in Developmental Disabilities Course
- Coursework, guest lectures, and student practica opportunities in a range of disciplines and academic programs

For current project information and contacts, training and student opportunities, and information about Boggs Center publications, please visit our website at [boggscenter.rwjms.rutgers.edu](http://boggscenter.rwjms.rutgers.edu) or call The Boggs Center at 732-235-9300.