

#### **UCEDD New Core Grant Panel Reviews**

### AIDD welcomes your participation and support as a Reviewer on the New 5 Year Core Grant Panel Reviews

Review Panels consist of 3 member teams including: UCEDD Directors, Self- Advocates and, or family members of individuals with developmental disabilities. Federal staff usually participate as facilitators of discussion groups.

#### New 5 Year Core Grant Panel Review

New Core grant applications are typically due in early March. The Panel Reviews take place at the end of March or early April.

A Reviewers Orientation usually takes place in late February or early March. The Orientation covers specific details of the review process. The Review Process involves two phases.

# <u>Phase I –Independent Review - using QRS Tier 2 Individual Reviewer Tool (own pace- about a week)</u>

Reviewers read and review applications using 5 Criteria in Tool including: Project Relevance and Current Need, Approach, Budget, Project Impact and Organizational Capacity. Then, reviewers score the sub- elements under each criteria and comment on key program highlights or concerns.

## <u>Phase II Panel Review Discussions -Scoring using the QRS Tier 2 Team Summary Reviewer</u> <u>Tool (Commitment of 2 days)</u>

The Team members compare individual scores and discuss each application to develop a team score. Team volunteers rotate the summary writing for each application. Typically, the discussions take place the 1<sup>st</sup> day and the summary writing takes place the morning and sometimes afternoon of the 2<sup>nd</sup> day.

Email your UCEDD Project Officer if you are interested in participating in this year's Merit Review of the New Core Grants.