

## Protection & Advocacy System, Inc.'s Impact on Wyomingites with disabilities: October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024

- P&A provided assistance to Wyomingites with disabilities in five Board-Approved Areas of Focus:
   Freedom from Abuse and Neglect; Community Living and maintaining living in the Most
   Integrated Setting; Accessibility and improving access to Assistive Technology and Barrier-Free
   Transportation; Supported Decision-Making and Alternatives to Guardianship; and, Full
   Participation in the Electoral Process for individuals with disabilities. Please review P&A's
   Program Priorities located on the P&A Website: <a href="www.wypanda.com">www.wypanda.com</a>
- Last year, 669 Wyomingites with disabilities requested assistance from P&A.
- All individuals that contacted P&A for assistance received information and referral services.
   P&A also provided case assistance to 94 individual Wyomingites with disabilities.
   P&A's individual case assistance ranged from providing free legal and advocacy representation, to benefits planning and self-advocacy assistance.
- P&A monitored 23 different facilities, congregate care settings and home and community-based settings where Wyomingites with disabilities reside and/or receive services. P&A conducted financial reviews of 11 Organizational and Individual Representative Payees. Through this work, P&A impacted 1,125 Wyomingites with disabilities.
- P&A staff provided information and education to over 6,500 Wyomingites with disabilities through outreach, presentations, and training events.
- Over 38,000 individuals visited P&A's website for current events, information, and resources.
- In addition to P&A's direct impact on individual Wyomingites with disabilities, P&A also engaged in disability rights systems advocacy, education on disability rights issues, policy education and advocacy, and disability rights research.
- Last year, P&A provided assistance to Wyomingites with disabilities in 21 of Wyoming's 23 counties.