



Overview of Disability Support in Poland

Poland

Case study overview

Disability support nationally is provided by governmental and non-governmental bodies, policies and initiatives. A number of key activities are identified below.

The Government Plenipotentiary for Disabled People

The Government Plenipotentiary for Disabled People supervises execution of tasks specified by the Act of 27 August 1997 on vocational and social rehabilitation and employment of persons with disabilities.

The National Advisory Council for Persons with Disabilities

The Council is an advisory body for the Plenipotentiary as a forum of co-operation composed of governmental administration bodies, local government and non-governmental organizations. The Council operates under the Act on vocational and rehabilitation and employment of persons with disabilities and the Regulation of the Minister of Labour and Social Policy on means and procedures of the National Advisory Council for Persons with Disabilities.

The Voivodeship social councils for persons with disabilities

The voivodeship social councils for persons with disabilities are consulting and advisory bodies attached the marshals of voivodeships.



The Polish Council of Sign language

The Polish Council of Sign language is an advisory body attached to the minister for labour and social security issues and is a forum of cooperation of representatives of government bodies, local government units and non-governmental organisations acting in support of people with hearing impairments. The Council operates under the act on sign language and other means of communication (Dz. U. z 2011 r. nr 209, poz. 1243).

State Fund for Rehabilitation of Disabled Persons (PFRON)

PFRON is the state's targeted fund established on 1 July 1991 to finance specific tasks in disability support.

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