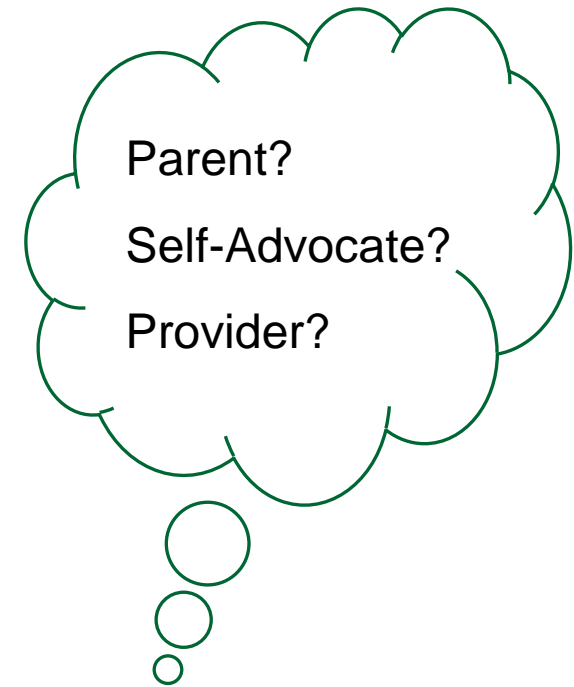# How are UCEDDs Connected?

MODULE II

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Introductions

- Name

- Part of state you are from

- Experience with disability

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Self-Advocate?
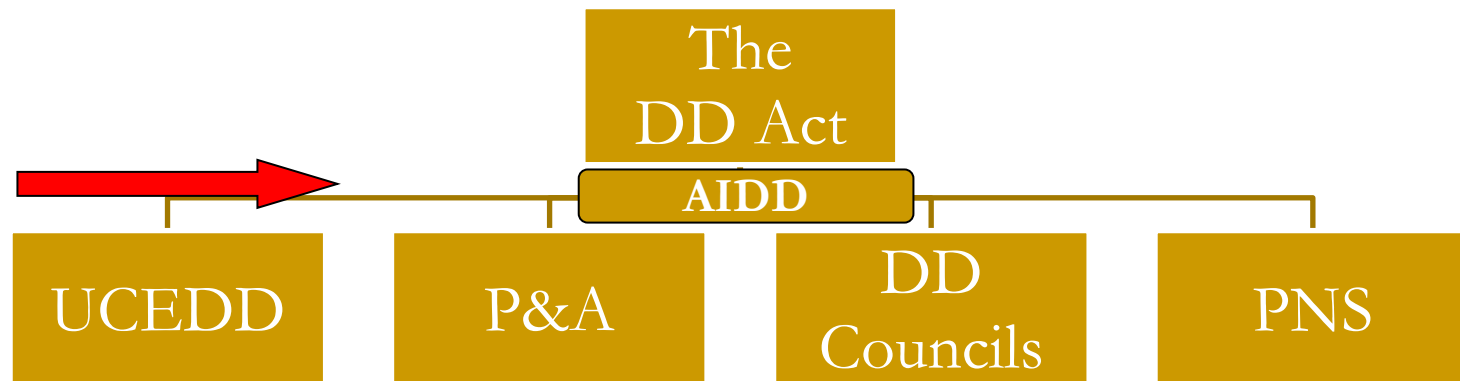
Provider?

Topics of Presentation

1. Administration on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (AIDD)

2. Association of University Centers on Disabilities (AUCD)

3. AUCD's Council on Community Advocacy (COCA)

1. The Administration on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

Administration on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (AIDD)

AIDD is the federal agency responsible for the DD Act

AIDD

- AIDD administers the UCEDD grant program

- AIDD provides core funding to help pay for the cost of the operation of each UCEDD

- http://www.acl.gov/programs/aidd/index.aspx

Where is **AIDD** located?

- AIDD is part of the Administration for Community Living, of the US Department of Health and Human Services
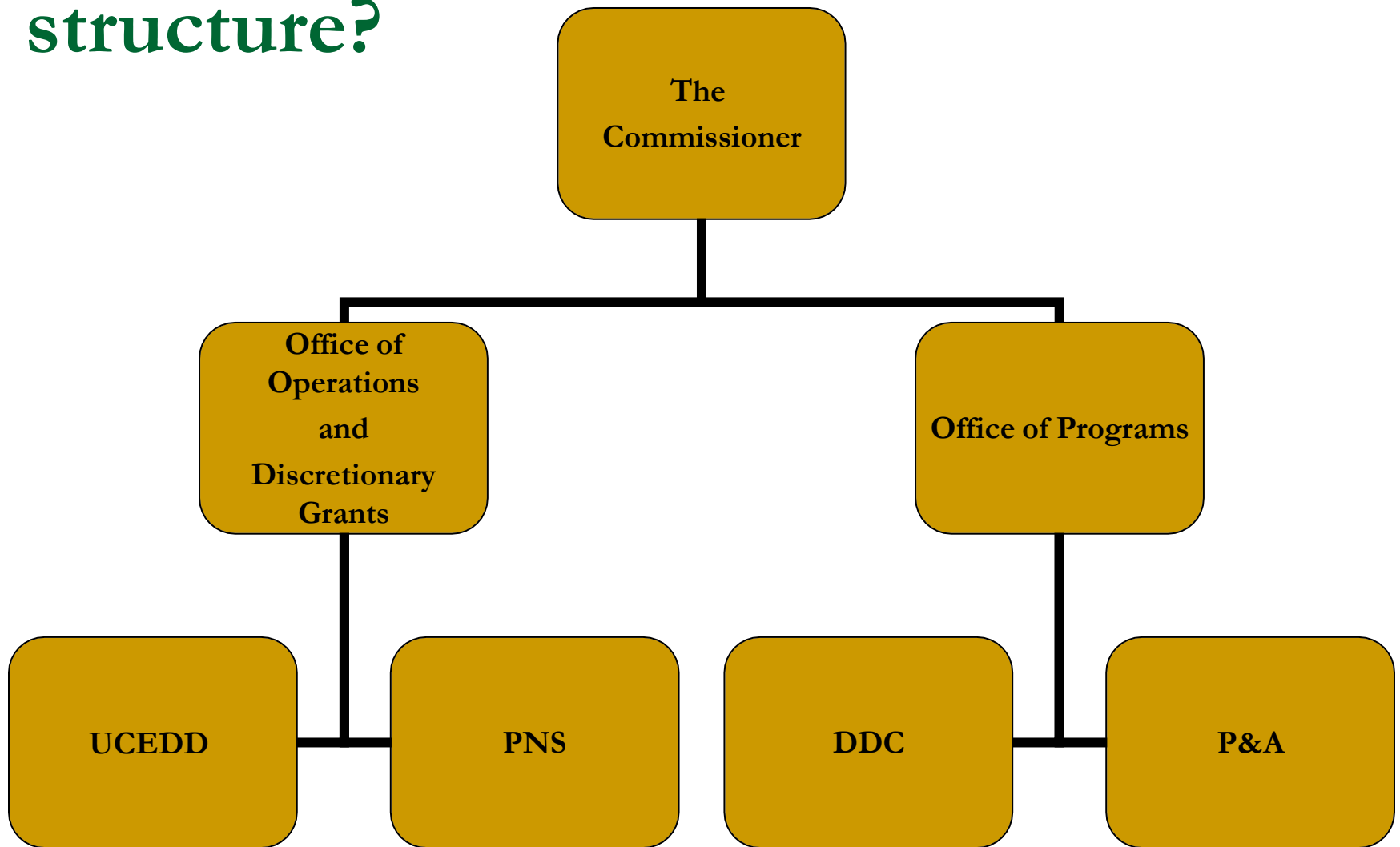
AIDD is located in Washington, DC

What is AIDD's mission?

- To improve and increase services to and assure that

  - ❑ individuals with developmental disabilities have opportunities to make their own choices,

  - ❑ contribute to society,

  - ❑ have supports to live independently, and

  - ❑ are free of abuse, neglect, financial, and sexual exploitation, and violations of their legal and human rights

What is AIDD's organizational structure?

What is MTARS?

- Monitoring and Technical Assistance Review System (MTARS)
- Conducted to see if UCEDDs, P&As, and DD Councils are meeting the requirements of the DD Act
- MTARS involves:
  - Completion of self-assessment checklists
  - Reviews of documents such as the 5–year plan and progress reports
  - On-site visit

What is the role of the CAC in MTARS?

- Help the UCEDD prepare by assisting with the self-assessment checklist

- Participating in interviews during the on-site visit

- Providing site reviewers with stories about how the UCEDD has made a difference in yours or someone else's life

- Fulfilling your role as a member of the CAC

2. The Association of University Centers on Disabilities

ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY CENTERS ON DISABILITIES
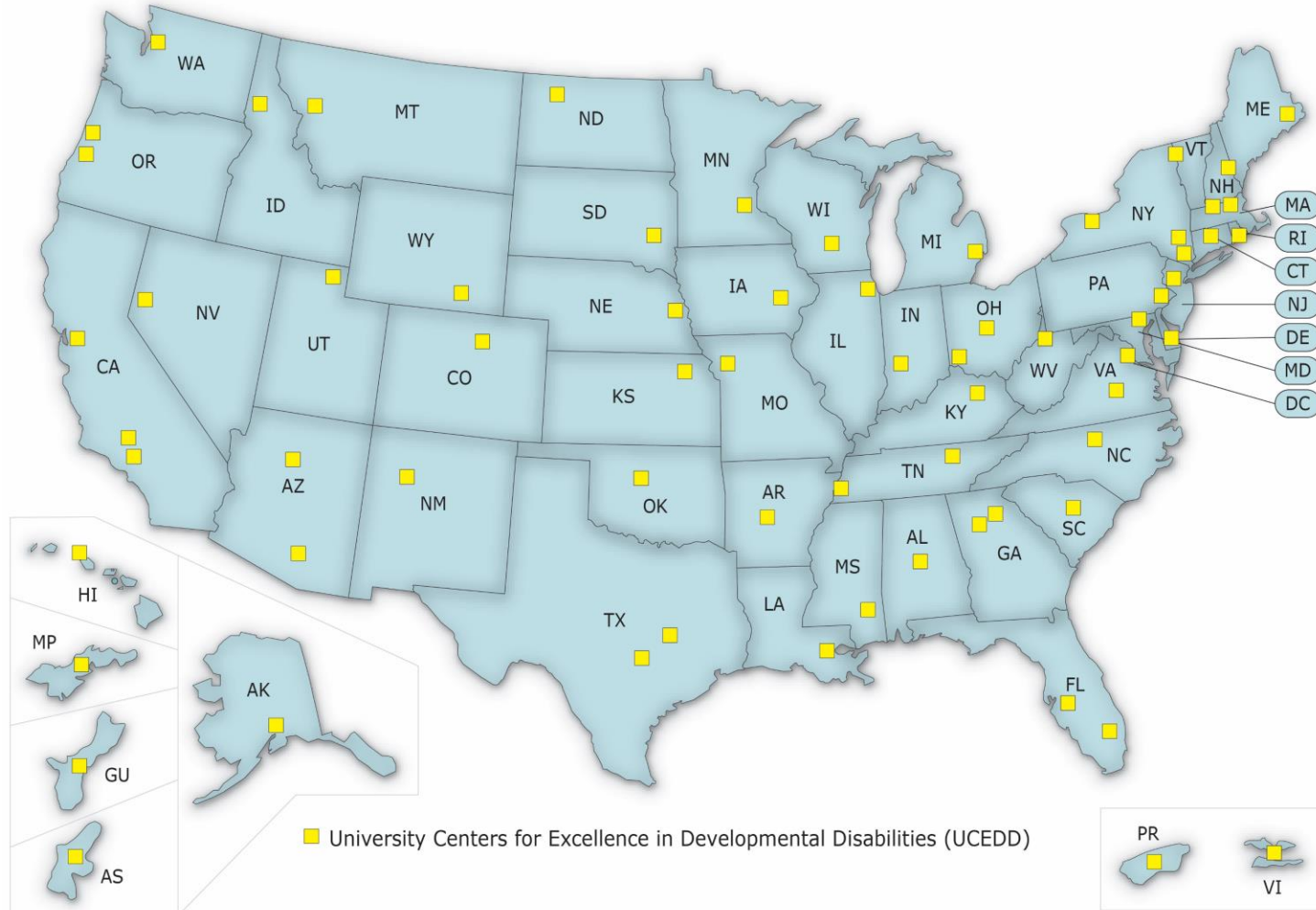
RESEARCH, EDUCATION, SERVICE

Association of University Centers on Disabilities (AUCD)

- AUCD is a network of interdisciplinary centers advancing public policy and practice for and with individuals with developmental and other disabilities, their families, and communities

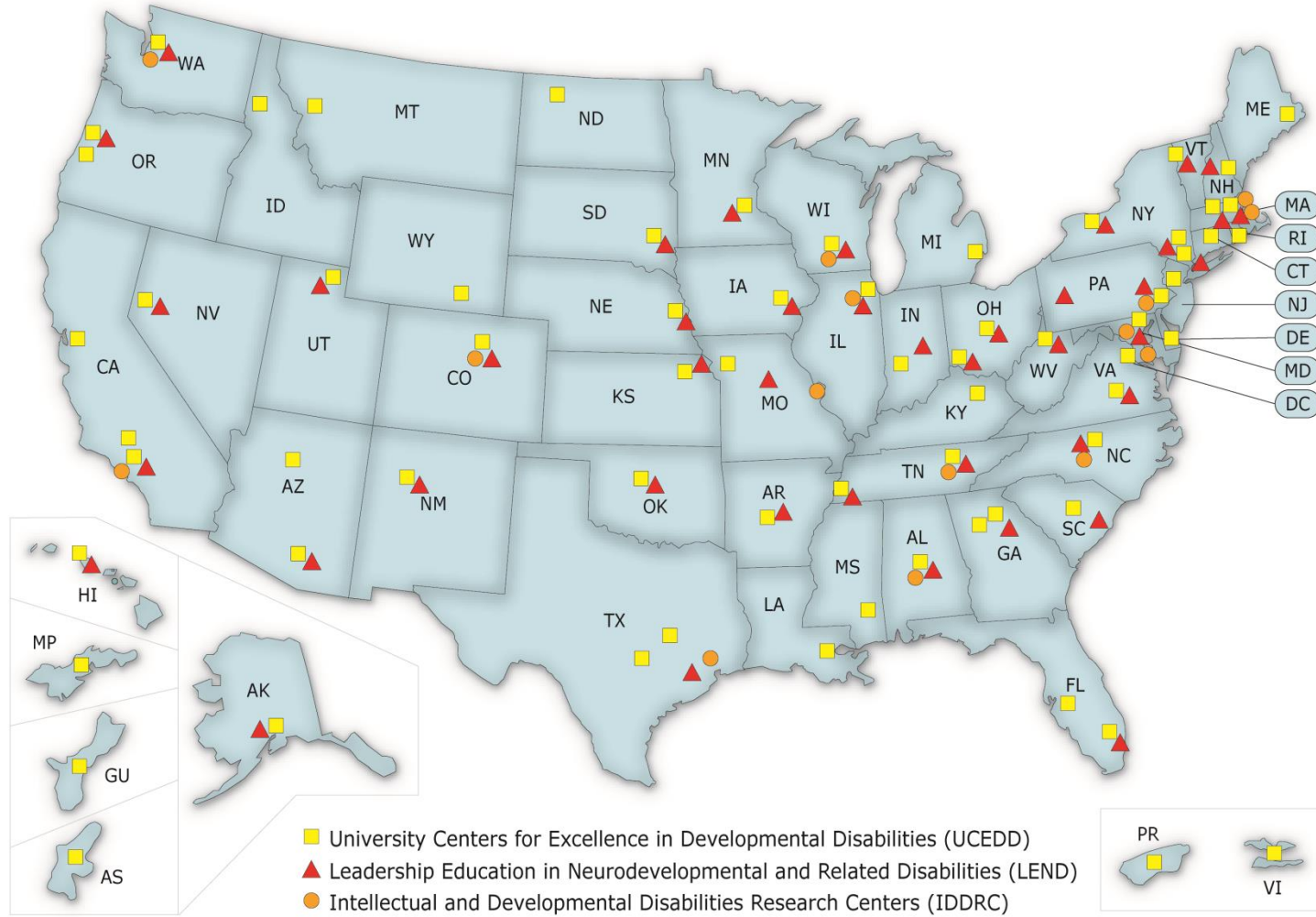- www.aucd.org

AUCD

- The AUCD network consists of:

  - UCEDDs

  - Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities (LEND) Programs

  - Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Research Centers (IDDRCs)

National Network of UCEDDs

University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD)

UCEDDs, LENDs, and IDDRCs

University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD)
Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities (LEND)
Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Research Centers (IDDRC)

What do the 3 AUCD networks do?

- The 3 networks complement each other:

  - ❑ UCEDDs address many issues related to people with disabilities across the lifespan
  - ❑ LENDs train professionals to work with children and adolescents with developmental disabilities and special health care needs
  - ❑ IDDRCs focus on the prevention of disabilities and the expansion of our understanding of the biology of disability

3. AUCD's Council on Community Advocacy

COCA

AUCD's Council on Community Advocacy (COCA)

- Comprised of CAC representatives (family members and individuals with disabilities)
- Ensures the voice of individuals with disabilities is heard in the work of AUCD
- The co-chairs of COCA serve on AUCD's board
- Members communicate by conference call and listserv

COCA'S Mission Statement

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The COCA assists AUCD to advance policy and practice for and with people with disabilities, their families, and communities

Questions