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Putting disability inclusion at the center of my work

"Inclusion matters — Every child deserves to play, learn and be included. I'm working to make sure they have those opportunities."



## **ASSEMBLYMAN ANGELO SANTABARBARA**

**Chair of the State Assembly Committee on People with Disabilities** 

## Improving access and opportunities

for New Yorkers with disabilities

#### AT OUR STATE CAPITOL

- Introduced the **Communication Bill of Rights** that ensures every person with a disability has the right to communicate in their preferred manner (A.7363-C)
- Co-sponsored a bill requiring publishers and manufacturers of printed instructional materials to make accessible versions available for college students with disabilities (ch. 231 of 2025)
- Introduced legislation to require new or renovated public playgrounds to be fully accessible and inclusive for children with disabilities (A.6962)
- Supported the **Higher Education Success Act** to strengthen access to higher education for students with disabilities by removing barriers and standardizing support across New York's public colleges (A.4841)
- Sponsored a bill to establish a **Blue-Ribbon Commission** on the future of the state's service delivery system for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities act (A.6021-B)



Coaching a Special Olympics athlete



**Disability Workforces Rally** 

#### FUNDING SECURED IN STATE BUDGET

- \$2.5 million Schenectady Light Opera Company ADA upgrades\*
- Secured **\$14.5 million** for the Special Olympics\*
- **2.1% increase** in wages for human services providers, and additional 0.5% targeted salary increases to support staff, direct care staff, clinical staff, and non-executive administrative staff\*

#### EXPANDING HEALTH CARE FOR NEW YORKERS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

\$25 Million Investment\*

- Create Regional Disability Health Clinics
- Expand dental & medical services
- Upgrade facilities for accessibility
- Bring care closer to home

<sup>\* (2025-26</sup> NYS Budget)