

The MSU RCPD:

WHO WE ARE, WHAT WE DO, AND HOW TO GET INVOLVED.



The RCPD stands for...

- R- Resource
- C- Center for
- P- Persons with
- **D- Disabilities**

The MSU Resource Center for Persons with Disabilities (RCPD) was created in the 1970s as MSU's response for equal access to a university education for all students. Over the years, the foundational services for students with mobility and visual disabilities expanded to include services for students who were deaf or hard of hearing, those with learning disabilities and ADHD, brain injuries, psychiatric, and various chronic health conditions.

Maximizing Ability and Opportunity

The RCPD works collaboratively with students and employees to maximize ability and opportunity in their experiences at MSU. Some of the ways that we are able to accomplish this are by adhering to the acronym A.B.L.E.:

- Assessing and documenting disability, academic, and workplace needs
- Building and facilitating individual plans for reasonable accommodations
- Linking individuals with technology, education, and resources
- Extending independence through auxiliary aids, disability-related information, and selfadvocacy

How To Register with the RCPD

Registering for services through the RCPD is as easy as 1, 2, 3!

- 1 Formally identify as a student or employee with a physical, sensory, cognitive or psychological disability via RCPD's

 MyProfile web portal.
- 2 Once you've requested to register through MyProfile, an RCPD Ability Access Specialist will contact you through your MSU email to request <u>disability documentation</u>.
- 3 Once sufficient documentation is received, the specialist will contact you to set up a needs assessment to fully discuss accommodation requests.

What Our Students Have To Say

The students we work with have shared the following about their experiences with the MSU RCPD:

- "I know what a difference it makes when there is someone who understands what you're going through and provides a helping hand."
- "The RCPD taught me and gave me resources to empower myself and ensure that I'm not alone."
- "Without the RCPD, I would not have the tools to be successful in college. The RCPD supports me and reminds me of my abilities and talents."
- "Because of the support I receive from the RCPD, I am able to accomplish a lot and put my best effort into everything I do."

We Look Forward to Meeting You!

Team RCPD is ready to assist students, employees and visitors with resources that create an environment of opportunity at Michigan State University. We value full integration of persons with disabilities throughout the University mission, programs and services.

Please visit our RCPD D2L module for more information if you are a student with a disability who is in need of accommodations.

We are located on campus at:

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