

Expanding your Advocacy and Taking Action

Expanding your Advocacy (Jennings and Mazur, 2008)

- Identify issues
- Conduct research
- Identify and contact your senators and representatives
 - www.house.gov or www.senate.gov
- Become part of the Legislative Listserv
 - Ncdaleaders-request@acrna.net
- Act locally

Taking Action (Brown, 2006; Jennings and Mazur, 2008)

- Stay informed & communicate with peers in field
- Teach legislators
 - Attend public forums/Speak publicly/give presentations
 - Community gatherings
 - Testify on legislation that effects your clients
 - Conference
 - Write
 - Publications for professional associations and newspaper
 - Letter or email to newspaper, local news, legislators, and/or the president
- Empower clients to be their own advocates
- Get involved in professional associations, such as:
 - Each One Reach One
 - NCDCA Committees
 - Mentoring Program