Q1: We are a very small organization and would like to apply for $25,000 of the grant. The budget indicates a 25% local match must be included, can we fit our in-kind in this area for space, and technology support (if we were to do the training in the summer participants will need technology access). Is there a waiver on this?

A1: Yes, in-kind expenses, such as rent for space and technology support can be considered local match. However, please keep in mind that this grant relates to a statewide network, not just ala carte self-advocacy trainings. The grant applicant must be responsible for coordination of local advocacy groups throughout the State of Minnesota. If the applicant does not plan to offer services in each area of the State, they must apply with a consortium of other organizations or define how the other areas of the State will be served by other grants or established funding that is already in place.