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**State's Legal Service for VR Consumers Has Moved:
Client Assistance Program (CAP) Joins the Alabama Disabilities Advocacy Program**

Tuscaloosa, Ala. - Alabamians with disabilities experiencing problems with employment or independent living services have a new – but familiar – agency they can go to for help. As of October 1, 2022, by designation of Governor Kay Ivey, Alabama's Client Assistance Program has been placed under the auspices of the Alabama Disabilities Advocacy Program (ADAP).

The Client Assistance Program (CAP) is a federally funded program that provides information, advice, and advocacy to people with disabilities who are applying for or receiving services provided by the Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services, the state's Independent Living Centers, and other programs funded by the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

Through its new designation as the CAP, ADAP attorneys and advocates will support and advocate for individuals who have questions about rehabilitation programs, are experiencing delays in application processing, who have been refused needed services, or who disagree with eligibility determinations.

ADAP is Alabama's federally funded protection and advocacy (P&A) agency and has more than 45 years of experience in protecting and promoting the civil rights of people with disabilities. The agency provides information and referral services, legal advocacy, and outreach on a wide range of issues affecting persons with disabilities including community access, special education, Medicaid, voting rights, assistive technology, Medicaid Waivers, alternatives to guardianship, and abuse and neglect.

“We look forward to helping Alabamians with disabilities understand their rights and to addressing barriers in accessing vocational rehabilitation and independent living services,” said James Tucker, Esq., ADAP's Executive Director. “The CAP has found a perfect home; it joins ADAP's seven (7) other legal programs, providing yet another avenue for our staff to support the civil rights of Alabamians with disabilities and to foster their full integration into our communities.”

To connect with ADAP regarding its CAP services or to request help, call ADAP at (205) 348-4928.

The Alabama Disabilities Advocacy Program is Alabama's federally funded protection and advocacy agency whose mission is to protect and promote the safety, civil rights, and well-being of persons with disabilities. The agency envisions a society where disabled people are valued, exercise self-determination through meaningful choices, and have equality of opportunity. For more information, visit ADAP.ua.edu.