

The UCCEDD recently hosted its Pathways to Justice Training for the southwest region of Ohio. UCCEDD is one of three sites in the state participating in a pilot project in which disability response teams work together to create activities and goals to promote improved relationships between people with disabilities and the criminal justice system. Law Enforcement Officers, Victim Service Providers, Family Members, Self-Advocates and additional members of the criminal justice system were trained on the Pathways to Justice curriculum as part of a wider initiative to address issues in the state of Ohio. Members of the SW Ohio lead team who are also certified Pathways to Justice trainers, along with Erica Coleman, the Ohio Project Coordinator facilitated the sessions and profession-specific modules throughout the daylong training. Moving forward, the regional SW Ohio team will meet on a quarterly basis to work on identifying needs in the region related to the training topics, and determine strategies and activities to implement over the next 18 months.