

## **Accessibility statement- October 2024**

The Licking County Board of Developmental Disabilities believes that when things are more accessible, it benefits everyone in our community. This includes the services and supports we provide, both in person and virtually.

To achieve this, we have integrated several tools:

- Recite Me, an innovative cloud-based web accessibility tool. Recite Me provides a range of accessibility options that allow all users, including those with disabilities, to customize the way they experience our website.
- LCBDD also uses the [UserWay Website Accessibility Widget](#) that is powered by a dedicated accessibility server. The software allows LCBDD to improve its compliance with the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG 2.1).

### **Recite Me Accessibility Features:**

With the Recite Me toolbar, you can:

- Change text size to make it larger or smaller for easier reading.
- Adjust text and background color for better contrast and readability.
- Use the text-to-speech function to have the content read aloud in a natural voice.
- Translate the content into over 100 languages, with the option to have it read aloud in the selected language.
- Use a screen ruler to help with focus when reading.
- Enable a dyslexia-friendly font for improved text clarity.
- Use the magnifying glass to zoom in on specific parts of the page.

### **How to Use the Accessibility Features:**

You can access the Recite Me toolbar by clicking on the “Accessibility & Language” button located at the top of every page on our website. From there, you can choose the features that best suit your needs.

### **UserWay Website Accessibility Scanner**

In an ongoing effort to continually improve and remediate accessibility issues, we also regularly scan Lcountydd.org with UserWay's [Accessibility Scanner](#) to identify and fix every possible accessibility barrier on our site.

### **Our Commitment:**

We are continually improving the user experience for everyone and applying the relevant accessibility standards, including the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.1. If you encounter any accessibility barriers while using our website or have suggestions on how we can improve accessibility, please contact Anna Jeffries at 740-322-6911 or [anna.jeffries@lcountydd.org](mailto:anna.jeffries@lcountydd.org).