

**KENTUCKY COMMISSION ON SERVICES AND SUPPORTS FOR
INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL
AND OTHER DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES**

**A G E N D A
December 13, 2024
1:00 – 3:00 p.m.**

OPENING REMARKS	Carrie Banahan, Deputy Secretary Cabinet for Health & Family Services
REVIEW MINUTES	Carrie Banahan, Deputy Secretary Cabinet for Health & Family Services
STATUS OF RECOMMENDATIONS	Carrie Banahan, Deputy Secretary Cabinet for Health & Family Services
NATIONAL CORE INDICATORS	Laura Butler Human Development Institute
DEPARTMENT FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL & INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES UPDATES	Dr. Katie Marks, Commissioner Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental & Intellectual Disabilities
DMS UPDATES	Leslie Hoffman, Deputy Commissioner Alisha Clark, Assistant Director Department for Medicaid Services
COMMONWEALTH COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES UPDATES	Johnny Callebs, Executive Director Commonwealth Council on Developmental Disabilities (CCDD)
HDI UPDATES	Johnny Collett, Deputy Director Human Development Institute (HDI)
OFFICE OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION UPDATES	Nanci Howard, Administrator Office of Vocational Rehabilitation
PUBLIC COMMENTS	As time permits
2025 MEETING DATES	March 7, 2025 June 6, 2025 September 5, 2025 December 5, 2025

**KENTUCKY COMMISSION ON SERVICES AND SUPPORTS FOR INDIVIDUALS
WITH INTELLECTUAL AND OTHER DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
DECEMBER 8, 2023
SUMMARY NOTES**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Carrie Banahan
Dr. Katie Marks
Pam Smith
Cora McNabb
Johnny Collett for Dr. Kathy Sheppard-Jones
Johnny Callebs
Kim King, Representative
Steve Shannon
Julie Sweets
Catherine Buncher
Kim Zeigler
Clayton Carroll
Kellie Smith

MEMBERS ABSENT

Gretta Hylton
Tina Bojanowski, Representative
Julie Raque-Adams, Senator
Brandon Griffith
Robert Napolilli
Graham Maupin
Annette Jett
Karen Herdina

OPENING REMARKS

Deputy Secretary Carrie Banahan welcomed all members and other meeting participants. Expressions of condolences were offered to Commission Member Karen Herdina in the passing of her husband.

INTRODUCTION OF COMMISSIONER OF DEPARTMENT FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL & INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES

Dr. Katie Marks, Commissioner of the Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities provided a brief self-introduction and expressed her enthusiasm in working with the Commission to support individuals with intellectual and other developmental disabilities.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Minutes were approved from June & September quarterly meetings with no amendments.

STATUS OF NEW MEMBERS

The Cabinet is still awaiting the announcement of new appointments from the Governor's Office of Boards and Commissions. Appreciation was expressed to all those who continue to actively serve and participate in the Commission's work.

STATUS OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Two (2) recommendations were submitted by the Community Education and Outreach Committee at the September quarterly meeting. Due to a lack of quorum, the recommendations were deferred and were considered during Committee Updates.

DEPARTMENT FOR MEDICAID SERVICES UPDATES

Pam Smith provided updates related to the Department for Medicaid Services.

ALLOCATIONS and WAITLISTS

Cathy Lerza, Clinical Services Program Manager and Crystal Adams, Assistant Director of the Division of Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities presented on the Supports for Community Living and Michelle P Waiver waitlists. A copy of the slides are contained in the December Meeting Packet.

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE UPDATES

Johnny Collett provided updates on initiatives/projects underway at HDI on behalf of Dr. Kathy Sheppard-Jones.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

Community Education and Outreach Committee.

Barb Locker was designated by the Committee Chair to provide updates and present recommendations in place of Karen Herdina. Four (4) recommendations were considered and approved without amendments. The recommendations will be forwarded to the appropriate agencies within the Cabinet for Health and Family Services for consideration and response at the March 2024 Quarterly Meeting.

Health/Wellness Committee

The Health/Wellness Committee did not meet during the Quarter. No updates were available.

Employment Committee.

Johnny Collett presented in place of Dr. Kathy Sheppard-Jones. The Committee met one time during the quarter but did not present recommendations for consideration.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Members of the public did not wish to comment.

COMMISSION MEETING REMINDERS / ADJOURN MEETING

The next quarterly meeting will be March 15th, 2024, beginning at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time. Meeting was adjourned.

**KENTUCKY COMMISSION ON SERVICES AND SUPPORTS FOR INDIVIDUALS
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MARCH 15, 2024
SUMMARY NOTES**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Carrie Banahan
Dr. Katie Marks
Alisha Clark
Nanci Howard
Dr. Kathy Sheppard-Jones
Johnny Callebs
Karen Herdina
Julie Sweets
Catherine Buncher
Clayton Carroll

MEMBERS ABSENT

Gretta Hylton
Tina Bojanowski, Representative
Julie Raque-Adams, Senator
Brandon Griffith
Robert Napolilli
Graham Maupin
Annette Jett
Steve Shannon
Kim Zeigler
Kellie Smith
Kim King, Representative

OPENING REMARKS

Deputy Secretary Carrie Banahan welcomed all members and other meeting participants.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Minutes from the December meeting were deferred for approval for lack of quorum.

STATUS OF NEW MEMBERS

The Cabinet is still awaiting the announcement of new appointments from the Governor's Office of Boards and Commissions. Appreciation was expressed to all those who continue to actively serve and participate in the Commission's work.

STATUS OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Four recommendations from the Community Education and Outreach Committee approved at the December quarterly meeting. The Cabinet has responded to those recommendations. The responses are contained in the meeting packet and have been returned to the Community Education and Outreach Committee for their review.

NATIOAL CORE INDICATORS

Laura Butler from the Human Development Institute provided results from the National Core Indicators Data and recommendations from the Quality Improvement Committee.

After the presentation, Committees were reminded that the data and recommendations should guide their ongoing work and discussions.

DEPARTMENT FOR MEDICAID SERVICES UPDATES

Alisha Clark provided updates related to the Department for Medicaid Services.

The 1915c waivers have been submitted to Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). It is anticipated they will be approved by May 1, 2024.

Cathy Lerza provided information related to the waiver waiting lists. A graph was provided in the meeting packet.

COMMONWEALTH COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES (CCDD)

Johnny Callebs, Executive Director provided an update on Council activities. The primary item of interest was the Governor's signing of a proclamation declaring March as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month.

HDI UPDATES

Dr. Kathy Sheppard-Jones of the Human Development Institute at the University of Kentucky to provided updates on initiatives/projects underway at HDI. These include:

- Early Childhood Awareness Seminar on March 22 from 1-3pm. Seminar registration is available at: https://uky.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMvde6srT8pEtYUf7jPGuylwmgW3saVbEmX#
- HDI is hosting a drop in Art Exhibit from March 26-29.
- KY LEND program is aimed at training people to improve health care for people with disabilities. For more information, please contact: Rachel Womack at rachel.womack@uky.edu or visit the KY LEND website: <https://hdi.uky.edu/kylend>.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

The following updates were provided by Committee chairpersons:

- **Community Education and Outreach Committee.**
Karen Herdina, Committee Chair noted the committee met in January and February and continues to review transportation data. It is the committee's intent to offer meaningful recommendations related to transportation services in the future.
- **Health/Wellness Committee**
The Committee did not meet during the quarter.

- **Employment Committee.**

Dr. Kathy Sheppard-Jones, Committee Chair provided two links to a video related to the Committee's efforts of marketing the abilities of individuals with intellectual and other developmental disabilities in communities across Kentucky.

- Vimeo: <https://vimeo.com/922008192?share=copy>
- YouTube: https://youtu.be/pju_hzzaak8

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Members of the public did not wish to comment.

COMMISSION MEETING REMINDERS / ADJOURN MEETING

The next quarterly meeting will be June 14th, 2024, beginning at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time. Meeting was adjourned.

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**KENTUCKY COMMISSION ON SERVICES AND SUPPORTS FOR INDIVIDUALS
WITH INTELLECTUAL AND OTHER DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
SEPTEMBER 13, 2024
SUMMARY NOTES**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Carrie Banahan
Cathy Lerza for Dr. Katie Marks
Alisha Clark
Nanci Howard
Johnny Collett
Johnny Callebs
Karen Herdina
Julie Sweets
Catherine Buncher
Kim Zeigler
Clayton Carroll
Kellie Smith

MEMBERS ABSENT

Gretta Hylton
Tina Bojanowski, Representative
Julie Raque-Adams, Senator
Kim King, Representative
Brandon Griffith
Graham Maupin
Annette Jett

OPENING REMARKS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deputy Secretary Carrie Banahan welcomed all members and other meeting participants.

The Commission recognized Dr. Kathy Sheppard-Jones. Dr. Sheppard-Jones had stepped down from her position as Executive Director of the Human Development Institute. While she may have stepped down as the Executive Director, she did not leave HDI but has moved into other roles within the Institute. The Commission expressed sincere appreciation for all her expertise and advocacy efforts while serving on the Commission and look forward to working with her in a different capacity in the future. Dr. Beth Potter has been appointed Acting Executive Director in the interim.

Johnny Collett has been designated to serve on the Commission while a national search is being conducted to fill Dr. Sheppard-Jones' position. Johnny is the current Deputy Director at HDI and has attended Commission meetings in the past representing HDI.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Members received an advanced copy of the draft minutes for the December and March Quarterly Meetings. The Commission did not meet in June. There was not a quorum. Approval of minutes was deferred to December.

STATUS OF RECOMMENDATIONS

There were no outstanding recommendations for status updates.

MEMBER TERMS

New appointments from the Governor's Office of Boards and Commissions which were submitted in May 2023 for terms that expired in July 2023 have not been announced. Members who continue to actively serve and participate on the Commission were thanked for their continued service.

Several members have term expirations in November. These include:

Cathy Buncher
Kim Zeigler
Graham Maupin
Karen Herdina
Annette Jett
Kellie Smith

Current members with expiring terms were encouraged to reach out to DDID staff if they wished to reapply for another term. All members were encouraged to continue holding the December Quarterly Meeting on their calendars since new appointments are moving slowly through the Governor's Office of Boards and Commissions.

ANNUAL REPORT

The Commission's Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2024 was reviewed. No changes or amendments to the report were requested. The Division of Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities (DDID) will continue with the process to file the report with the Governor's Office and the Legislative Research Commission by December 1 in accordance with statute.

DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID SERVICES UPDATES

Alisha Clark, Assistant Director of the Division of Long Term Supports, provided updates related to the Home and Community Based Medicaid waivers. During the 2024 Legislative Sessions, additional slots were funded in the Home and Community Based Medicaid waivers, including Michelle P (MP) and Supports for Community Living (SCL) waivers. It should always be remembered when reviewing waiting lists numbers, that many of the individuals are on multiple waiting lists. For example, of 2,230 on the MP wait list 315 of the individuals already receive services in the SCL waiver but want to remain on the MP wait lists just in case.

As the Department continues the Public Health Emergency Unwinding, individuals are encouraged to visit the below website for information:

<https://khbe.ky.gov/Enrollment/Pages/PHEUnwinding.aspx>

COMMONWEALTH COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES (CCDD)

Johnny Callebs, Executive Director of CCDD provided updates. He introduced Justin Jeter, Legislative Liaison with CCDD who provided updates related to federal and state legislation that impact programs for individuals with disabilities. He also presented updates on the CCDD's

efforts to advocate, and effect change at the legislative level, for people with disabilities. A copy of his presentation was included in the meeting material.

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE (HDI) UPDATES

Johnny Collett, Deputy Director of the Human Development Institute at the University of Kentucky provided updates on initiatives/projects underway at HDI. For all initiatives, please visit: <https://hdi.uky.edu/>.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION (OVR) UPDATES

Nanci Howard of the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation provided updates with a focus on the Employment First Council. The Council's Employer Education and Engagement had a three-part webinar series with 150+ registered attendees. Employment First site where you will find the series information.

<https://kcc.ky.gov/Vocational-Rehabilitation/boards-and-councils/Employment-First/Pages/default.aspx>

COMMITTEE UPDATES

The Committees did not meet during the quarter. It was proposed and approved that the three (3) Committees would be on a short-term hiatus for the next quarter. In December the Commission should be receiving updated information on the National Core Indicators for Kentucky along with recommendation from the NCI Quality Improvement Committee. This information, per statutory requirement, should be driving the work of the Commission. An agenda item will be added to the December HB 144 Commission Quarterly Meeting Agenda to discuss ways to move forward with the Commission's work.

988 – CRISIS SERVICES FOR ALL KENTUCKIANS

At the request of the Community Education and Outreach Committee, it was arranged for a representative from the Department of Behavioral Health, Developmental & Intellectual Disabilities to provide an overview of the 988-crisis program. Angela Roberts, Program Administrator for the 988 Crisis Services presented an overview of the program and provided links to resources for the Commission members to share with others. A copy of Ms. Roberts' presentation was contained in the meeting materials. The below link provides information on an online training for 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline screeners/counselors to provide improved support and assistance to people with intellectual/developmental disabilities (including Autism Spectrum Disorder, ASD) and mental health needs who contact the Lifeline seeking help.

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<https://centerforstartservices.org/988>

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Members of the public did not wish to address the Commission.

COMMISSION MEETING REMINDERS / ADJOURN MEETING

The next quarterly meeting will be December 13th, 2024, beginning at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time via Zoom.

Meeting adjourned.

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