

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

**A G E N D A
September 5, 2025
1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time**

OPENING REMARKS	Tricia Okeson, Deputy Secretary Cabinet for Health & Family Services
REVIEW MINUTES	Tricia Okeson, Deputy Secretary Cabinet for Health & Family Services
STATUS OF RECOMMENDATIONS	Tricia Okeson, Deputy Secretary Cabinet for Health & Family Services
1915i MEDICAID STATE PLAN AMENDMENT	Derek Vincent, Program Manager 1915i Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental & Intellectual Disabilities
REVIEW OF COMMISSION 2025 ANNUAL REPORT	Tricia Okeson, Deputy Secretary Cabinet for Health & Family Services
DEPARTMENT FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL & INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES	Dr. Katie Marks, Commissioner Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental & Intellectual Disabilities
DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID SERVICES	Carmen Hancock, Director Alisha Clark, Assistant Director Department for Medicaid Services
DISCUSSION OF COMMISSION INITIATIVES	Tricia Okeson, Deputy Secretary Cabinet for Health & Family Services
PUBLIC COMMENTS	As time permits
2025 MEETING DATES	December 5, 2025

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JUNE 6, 2025
SUMMARY NOTES**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Carrie Banahan
Dr. Katie Marks
Alisha Clark
Cora McNabb
Johnny Callebs
Terri Thomas
Jennifer Laswell
Megan Brannon
Kristen Wilcox
Julie Sweets
Benna O'Brien
Kim Zeigler
Clayton Carroll
Nicholas Killin
Kellie Smith

MEMBERS ABSENT

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

OPENING REMARKS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deputy Secretary Banahan opened the meeting, welcoming all Commission Members and members of the Public.

Ms. Banahan announced the retirement of Tina Fritz Kennedy effective on July 1, 2025. Tina served as the co-coordinator of the Commission's activities. The Commission thanked Tina for her service to the Commission and wished her well with her retirement.

Ms. Banahan announced her retirement effective on June 30, 2025. The Commission members thanked Deputy Secretary Banahan for her service to the Commission and wished her well in her retirement endeavors.

Ms. Banahan introduced Tricia Okeson, incoming Deputy Secretary of the Cabinet for Health and Family Services. Ms. Okeson will be the new chair of the Commission beginning July 1, 2025.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Deputy Secretary Banahan welcomed the new members listed below. Each member provided a brief background as they introduced themselves.

- Terri Thomas

- Jennifer Laswell
- Meagan Brannon
- Benna O'Brien
- Kristin Wilcox
- Nicholas Killin
- Jennifer Tucker

Ms. Banahan thanked those who continue to serve on the Commission.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Members received an advanced copy of the draft minutes for the December and March meetings.

The minutes were approved as submitted.

STATUS OF RECOMMENDATIONS

There were no outstanding recommendations for status updates.

NATIONAL CORE INDICATOR DATA & QUALITY IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Laura Butler from the Human Development Institute reviewed the latest National Core Indicator Data and Recommendations from the NCI Quality Improvement Committee. Laura presented information to the Commission in December; however, with new members we asked that she return and provide us the most recent information.

The website is <https://www.kentuckycq.org/kentucky-national-core-indicators-recommendations-report-2024/>

The information regarding employment is shared in the DDID Case Management Training for new case managers who are required by Regulation to attend. Jeff White with DDID has developed infographics about #1 that can be shared with the Commission.

<https://www.kentuckycq.org/resources-2/>

Laura shared that individuals may petition the Court to modify the orders so an adult self-advocate could vote. Information is located on Protection and Advocacy's website about restoration of rights. (<https://kypa.net/>). There is a video available on their website about a person who went to Court and had their voting rights restored:

<https://www.youtube.com/embed/FXFYu04WSdA>

All information shared with the Commission was contained in the meeting packet, including Ms. Butler's contact information.

DEPARTMENT FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL & INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES (DBHDID)

Dr. Katie Marks provided DBHDID updates. The following informational links were shared during the Department update.

<https://dbhdid.ky.gov/documents/kdbhdid/yearinreview2024.pdf>

[Meeting Registration - Zoom](#)

[Kentucky 988 Marketing Materials - Google Drive](#)

DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID SERVICES UPDATES

Alisha Clark, Assistant Director, Department for Medicaid Services provided the DMS updates which include the following:

New slots are being released on July 1, 2025. There will be 500 slots for Michelle P Waiver, 50 slots for Acquired Brain Injury Waiver, 250 slots for Supports for Community Living, and 25 for Long Term Care.

The Department is also currently working on a children's waiver. Information on the waiver may be found at the following website:

<https://www.chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms/dca/Pages/default.aspx>

COMMONWEALTH COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES (CCDD)

Johnny Callebs, Executive Director of the Commonwealth Council on Developmental Disabilities provided an update on the Council's initiatives and news items. They include:

- The publication, Exceptional Family Magazine, is now available and may be accessed at: https://issuu.com/lexingtonfamily/docs/exceptional_family_magazine_winter_spring_2025
- There is currently no funding in the Federal budget for University Centers of Excellence in the Federal budget. The Human Development Institute (HDI) is Kentucky's University Center of Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD). Information may be found at: <https://www.aucd.org/news/aucd-responds-full-budget-that-eliminates-ucedds>
- <https://kentuckylantern.com/2025/05/14/in-wake-of-new-law-eku-swaps-diversity-inclusion-for-viewpoint>

Information shared by Mr. Callebs was provided in the meeting packet.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION (OVR)

Nanci Howard of the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation to provided OVR updates. Ms. Howard included the following links to informational sessions that will be conducted in July, 2025:

Why On Earth Should I Work My Way Off SSDI?

July 8th 9:00am - 11:00am:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/_oLDnQGnQwqSp4WFJ1I5Zg

HUD Rental Assistance Programs

July 15th 9:00am - 12:00pm:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/qx0WpQIKRNKr4qi3Zr748Q>

Medicaid

July 22nd 9:00am - 12:00pm:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/d7b47iSvRSOuYqDgO_bblw

For more information related to the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation and/or the Employment First Council, please contact Nanci Howard at Nanci.Howard@ky.gov.

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION UPDATES

Greta Hylton, Associate Commissioner of the Office of Special Education and Early Learning for KDE was unable to attend. The KDE update will be rescheduled for a future meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

COMMISSION MEETING REMINDERS / ADJOURN MEETING

The next quarterly meeting will be September 5, 2025, beginning at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time via Zoom.

Meeting adjourned.