

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

**A G E N D A  
March 7, 2025  
1:00 – 3:00 p.m.**

<b>OPENING REMARKS</b>	Carrie Banahan, Deputy Secretary Cabinet for Health & Family Services
<b>REVIEW MINUTES</b>	Carrie Banahan, Deputy Secretary Cabinet for Health & Family Services
<b>STATUS OF RECOMMENDATIONS</b>	Carrie Banahan, Deputy Secretary Cabinet for Health & Family Services
<b>DEPARTMENT FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL &amp; INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES</b>	Cathy Lerza, Assistant Director Division of Developmental & Intellectual Disabilities Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental & Intellectual Disabilities
<b>DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID SERVICES</b>	Leslie Hoffman, Deputy Commissioner Alisha Clark, Assistant Director Department for Medicaid Services
<b>COMMONWEALTH COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES</b>	Johnny Callebs, Executive Director Commonwealth Council on Developmental Disabilities (CCDD)
<b>KENTUCKY LEGISLATION – 2025</b>	Justin Jeter, Public Policy Coordinator Commonwealth Council on Developmental Disabilities (CCDD)
<b>HDI UPDATES</b>	Johnny Collett, Deputy Director Human Development Institute (HDI)
<b>OFFICE OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION UPDATES</b>	Nanci Howard, Administrator Office of Vocational Rehabilitation
<b>CONTINUED DISCUSSION OF NATIONAL CORE INDICATOR QUALITY IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS</b>	Carrie Banahan, Deputy Secretary Cabinet for Health & Family Services
<b>PUBLIC COMMENTS</b>	<b>As time permits</b>
<b>2025 MEETING DATES</b>	June 6, 2025 September 5, 2025 December 5, 2025

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DECEMBER 13, 2024  
SUMMARY NOTES**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Carrie Banahan  
Dr. Katie Marks  
Alisha Clark  
Cora McNabb  
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  
Steve Shannon

**OPENING REMARKS and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**REVIEW OF MINUTES**

Members received an advanced copy of the draft minutes for the December, March, and September Quarterly Meetings. The Commission did not meet in June. All minutes were approved.

**STATUS OF RECOMMENDATIONS**

There were no outstanding recommendations for status updates.

**DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID SERVICES UPDATES**

Alisha Clark, Assistant Director, Department for Medicaid Services reported a letter will be disseminated reporting CMS approval of rate-related amendments across all six Home and Community Based Services waivers. Updates on slots and waiting lists was provided as follows:

- There are 13,409 unduplicated on waiting list.
- There are 2,449 waiting for HCB which 269 are also on another waiting list.
- There are 9,281 on MPW waiting list with 1,296 on another list.
- SCL has 3,525 on waiting list and 1,353 of those are on another waiting list.

## **NATIONAL CORE INDICATORS**

Laura Butler, Human Development Institute reviewed the latest National Core Indicator (NCI) Data and recommendations from Kentucky's NCI Quality Improvement Committee. She reported that National Core Indicators (NCI) started in 1997, and Kentucky was one of the first to join. Today 48 states participate. Laura reviewed the information contained in the member meeting packet.

Deputy Secretary Banahan asked the Commission Members to review the NCI Quality Improvement Committee Recommendations and discuss how the Commission might use the information to drive the Commission's work as advisors to the Cabinet for Health and Family Services, the General Assembly, and the Governor's Office over the next year.

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

Dr. Katie Marks, Commissioner stated the department plan is consistent with the NCI goals. She recommended HB 144 Commission members go to the Department's webpage (<https://www.chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dbhdid/Pages/default.aspx>) and become familiar with the Department's goals. Dr. Marks highlighted the initiative of "Our Healthy KY Home" and encouraged attendees to visit the following website: <https://ourhealthykyhome.ky.gov/Pages/index.aspx>

## **COMMONWEALTH COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES (CCDD)**

Johnny Callebs, Executive Director, Commonwealth Council on Developmental Disabilities (CCDD) presented slides on Employment First and stated the subliminal wages for persons with disabilities, which are called 14D certificates, are being phased out. Comments are due by December 17, 2024. Hopefully members will leave a comment supporting the new wage amount. The Council has released Notice of Funding Opportunities for topics such as housing and work within the rural population. Please check the Council's website for additional information about funding opportunities and the Council's goals at: <https://ccdd.ky.gov/Pages/index.aspx>.

## **HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE (HDI)**

Johnny Collett, Deputy Director, Human Development Institute (HDI) provided updates on the Institute's work related to the Olmstead Compliance that is underway. He also included other information related to Employment First initiative and upcoming trainings and webinars available to the public. Informational links shared during the meeting include the following:

<https://hdi.uky.edu/the-olmstead-decision-why-it-matters-in-kentucky/>

[https://urldefense.com/v3/https://kychamber.wufoo.com/forms/ky-chamber-foundation-disability-hiring-academy/\\_;!!Db6frn15oIvDD3UI!kRMJhbBUZhsXVm7LNyczotPcdGffHTggzGXFMnUJzq5tIKhECK0W7t3xeFlcapGGqygec7ZMlt31YdfxOiAbld6MRP4o\\$](https://urldefense.com/v3/https://kychamber.wufoo.com/forms/ky-chamber-foundation-disability-hiring-academy/_;!!Db6frn15oIvDD3UI!kRMJhbBUZhsXVm7LNyczotPcdGffHTggzGXFMnUJzq5tIKhECK0W7t3xeFlcapGGqygec7ZMlt31YdfxOiAbld6MRP4o$)

<https://www.kychamber.com/sites/default/files/pdfs/DHA%20Agenda.pdf>

[https://uky.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_d8MsnIcbRRSJKU\\_r8SnmfA#/registration](https://uky.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_d8MsnIcbRRSJKU_r8SnmfA#/registration)

[https://uky.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlpcOGqrTIqGdefg-jUG-ENDuIRzHSm8Q\\_e#/registration](https://uky.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlpcOGqrTIqGdefg-jUG-ENDuIRzHSm8Q_e#/registration)

<https://uky.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEtF--hpzMoHN3qFizeGDzDyDdFdJ-yLDrX#/registration>

## **OFFICE OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION (OVR)**

Cora McNabb, Executive Director of OVR shared that effective Oct 1<sup>st</sup> supported employment service fees were updated. She also reported that in Spring 2025 there will be a transition to a new case management system which should result improvement of service delivery by OVR. Between July and November, OVR has worked on 38,000 cases, which may be broken down as: 5,339 referrals, over 4,000 clients receiving services under a plan, 5,000 clients are in training status, and 2,000 are in job ready status. In the 5 month period, close to 2,000 clients obtained employment with avg pay \$24 working 35 hours weekly

Nancy Howard provided an update on the technical assistance award called Project NEON which stands for National Expansion for Opportunities Network. In 2023, Kentucky requested a maximum 300 hours of TA and was chosen again for 2025. She encouraged Commission members seeking additional information or specific questions to email her at:

[Nanci.Howard@ky.gov](mailto:Nanci.Howard@ky.gov)

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

## **COMMISSION MEETING REMINDERS / ADJOURN MEETING**

The next quarterly meeting will be March 7, 2025 beginning at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time via Zoom.

Meeting adjourned.