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## DDAC UPDATE May 15, 2014

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During the March and May 2014 meetings of the DDAC the following issues/topics were covered:

- The DDD Five (5) Year Strategic Plan is ongoing and should be completed by late Spring 2014
- The Division of DD has contracted with Burns & Associates to conduct the Supports Intensity Scale project which should be ready to launch in July 2014. The SIS project will involve 500 individuals receiving DDD supports around the state and interviews of these individuals will be conducted by trainers from the UCEDD. The outcome of the project will help to assess the adequacy/intensity of services being delivered and assist in sustaining the cost containment component of the AHCCCS/ALTCS system in the future.
- AHCCCS has taken DDD off of the "Notice to Cure" for meeting its ISP requirements and has requested from DDD its Value Based Purchasing Plan for FY2016.
- Dr. Latham, Assistant DDD Director is interested in developing a "wrap around" program for DDD members over the age of 60.
- The DDD Human Rights Committees and Program review Committees have been returned from DES to DDD and changes in practice have been made to insure HRC and PRC members are able to carry out their responsibilities.
- The provider Rate Rebasing Study has completed the public comment phase with little feedback and it has been sent to AHCCCS for their review.
- The Quality Vendor Agreement (DDD provider contracting document) is finished and has been sent out for 30-day comment (to be completed in April 2014).
- DDAC advocated for the return of \$120,000.00 into the Client Services Trust Fund as contained in HB2241. The bill passed through the legislature and was signed by the Governor.
- Leticia Labrecque was present at the March 2014 meeting and introduced herself, along with staff as the Administrator of the Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA).
- PLAN of AZ and The Cutty Legacy Foundation made a joint presentation at the May 2014 meeting regarding the collaboration to offer Life Planning and a Master Special Needs Trust.
- Steve Goodrich, Assistant AG made a presentation regarding proposed changes to DOL Wage and Hour regulations that may affect companionship and live-in provider arrangements. Rules are not yet final so the impact on Arizona's DDD system is still unclear at this time.
- Dr. Latham provided an overview of changes coming out of the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS) that will affect states with 1915 waivers – Arizona will not be immediately affected by these changes to the definition of HCBS supports as it currently operates under an 1115 waiver with CMS but eventually AZ will be impacted. For more detailed information and regulation go to [www.medicaid.gov/hcbs](http://www.medicaid.gov/hcbs).

## DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

Developmental Disabilities Advisory Council (DDAC)

Arizona Revised Statutes § 36-553

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NAME	MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY	TERM EXPIRATION
Todd Jones	(1) Parent/Guardian of a Child under 18 with a Developmental Disability	01.01.2014
Linda S. Mecham	(2) Parent/Guardian of a Child 18 years or older with a Developmental Disability	01.01.2014
Ronald L. Clanton	(3) Parent of a Child Served through the Arizona Early Intervention Program (AzEIP)	01.01.2015
Justin B. Harris	(4) Private Sector Agency Provider of In-Home Services	01.01.2015
Richard P. Hargrove	(5a) One of two members of the Private Sector: Provider of Residential Services Representative	01.01.2016
Gina K. Judy	(5b) One of two members of the Private Sector: Provider of Adult Day Services Representative	01.01.2014
Carrie L. Raabe	(6a) One of two Members with a Developmental Disability who Receive Services from the Division	01.01.2014
Michael V. Williams	(6b) One of two Members with a Developmental Disability who Receive Services from the Division	01.01.2015
Christina Carballo-Perelman	(7a) One of two Members each Representing a Different Developmental Disability Advocacy Organization.	01.01.2016
(VACANT)	(7b) One of two Members each Representing a Different Developmental Disability Advocacy Organization.	TBD
Edward L. Myers	(8) Designated Protection and Advocacy Organization Representative	01.01.2014
Jill R. Ryan	(9) Nonprofit Providing Direct Advocacy Representative	01.01.2015
Jami Snyder (Designee)	(10) Director (or designee) of the AZ Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS)	Non-Voting
Dr. Larry Latham	(11) Assistant Director of the Division of Developmental Disabilities	Non-Voting
Dave Cutty	(12) Developmental Disabilities Planning Council Member	01.01.2016
(VACANT)	(13) Foster Parent Representative	TBD
Karen L. Van Epps	(14) Human Rights Committee Member	01.01.2015

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36-553. Developmental disabilities advisory council; membership; duties

A. The developmental disabilities advisory council is established consisting of the following members:

1. One parent or guardian of a child who is under the age of eighteen years and who is developmentally disabled.
2. One parent or guardian of a child who is eighteen years of age or older and who is developmentally disabled.
3. One parent of a child who is served through the Arizona early intervention program.
4. One member of the private sector who represents an agency that is certified to provide in-home services to persons with developmental disabilities.
5. Two members of the private sector who are contracted with the division to deliver services to persons with developmental disabilities, one who represents a provider of residential services and one who represents a provider of adult day services including employment services.
6. Two members with a developmental disability who receive services from the division.
7. Two members each representing a different developmental disability advocacy organization.
8. One member from the designated protection and advocacy organization.
9. A member representing a nonprofit organization providing direct advocacy to families with developmentally disabled children.
10. The director of the Arizona health care cost containment system administration or the director's designee. This person is a nonvoting member.
11. The assistant director of the division of developmental disabilities. This person is a nonvoting member.
12. One member from the developmental disabilities planning council.
13. One member representing foster parents of children with developmental disabilities.
14. One member from the human rights committee on the developmentally disabled established by section 41-3801.

B. The governor shall appoint all voting members. Voting members and their families shall not be employees of the department of economic security. In making these appointments the governor shall select at least five members who are clients or guardians, parents or other family members of persons with developmental disabilities. One of these five voting members shall represent a person who is eligible for long-term care services pursuant to chapter 29, article 2 of this title. The governor shall also consider geographic representation in making these appointments.

C. Council members appointed pursuant to subsection A, paragraphs 1 through 9 and 13 and 14 of this section shall serve staggered three year terms. No members may serve more than two full terms. A vacancy occurring on the council shall be filled by the governor appointing another qualified person to serve the remainder of the term.

D. The council chairman shall be chosen annually by a majority vote of the council. A majority of voting council members constitutes a quorum.

E. The council shall meet in each district at least once a year.

F. The division must allow the council to review new policies and major policy changes before the division submits the policies or changes for public comment.

G. The council shall review auditor general reports regarding the division and services provided by the department of health services.

H. Council members are not eligible to receive compensation, but council members appointed pursuant to subsection A, paragraphs 1 through 9 and 13 and 14 of this section are eligible to receive reimbursement of expenses pursuant to title 38, chapter 4, article 2.

I. The council shall review and make recommendations to the division regarding:

1. Coordinating and integrating services provided by state agencies and providers that have contracted with state agencies to provide developmental disability programs.

2. The health, safety, welfare and legal rights of persons with developmental disabilities.

3. The division's plan for service delivery and improvement.

4. Establishing and reviewing division policies and programs.

5. The cost-effectiveness of division services.

6. Assessing the division's annual needs.

7. Selecting the assistant director of the division.

8. Monitoring the division's annual budget.

9. The sale or lease of the real property and improvements on the real property formerly used by the department of economic security for the Arizona training program in Phoenix.

J. The council shall oversee and approve expenditures of monies from the developmentally disabled client services trust fund established in section 36-572 following expenditure guidelines established by the council.

K. The council shall provide the public with an opportunity to address the council at regularly publicized meetings.

L. The council shall submit an annual report of activities to the director, the governor, the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives by December 31 of each year.

M. The department shall make meeting space available to the developmental disabilities advisory council at locations and times convenient to the council and shall provide secretarial and other staff support.