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Organization/Commission: Advisory Stakeholder Group on Autism-Related Needs

Meeting Details:

Tuesday, June 7th, 2022

6:00 pm

Virtual Format:

Zoom

In-Person:

Governor's Office of Community Initiatives (GOCI)

100 Community Place

Crownsville, MD 21032

**1st Floor conference room (#TBD), light drinks + refreshments will be provided.*

For Members Attending In-Person: Please follow the Maryland Department of Budget Management (DBM) Covid-19 protocols for entry into state buildings found here:

<https://dbm.maryland.gov/employees/Pages/COVID19.aspx>

Register in advance here to attend this meeting virtually:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82647456909?pwd=MEZkUDZ2ZUZnZ09NdDhNOHRUVEExtQT09>

RSVP via email to attend this meeting in-person at GCO/GOCI Offices:

Katie Gandy, Chairperson

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Meeting Agenda

I. **Call Meeting to Order + Roll Call**

Katie Gandy, Chairperson

Advisory Stakeholder Group on Autism-Related Needs

State Coordinator for Autism Strategy

Governor's Office of Community Initiatives (GOCI)

II. **Community Stakeholder Feedback**

Participant(s): All

Overview of data and feedback received during the 23 Listening Sessions completed last week with one makeup remaining (Thursday, June 23rd, 2022, from 6:00-8:00 pm via Zoom Webinar; this make-up session will be open to participation from stakeholders in any of Maryland's 23 counties plus Baltimore City. Any noteworthy data or information shared in the 06/23/2022 meeting will be shared with all members of this group by Tuesday, June 28th, 2022, via email.

III. Deliverables

Participant(s): All

Overview of all deliverables as an Advisory Stakeholder Group per HB847 (2020) and HB662 (2022)

- Discuss changes to group stakeholder membership and deliverables based on the passage of HB662 (04/2022)
- Deliverable Planning
 - Share reports + deliverable due dates for the Chair/State Coordinator June-July 2022,
 - Sample deliverable schedule for committees and full body, based on remainder of the year's schedule
 - An extension of the 07/31/2022 due date for the Strategic Plan has been requested.

III. Strategic Planning/ overarching vision

Participant(s): All

Discuss what our overarching vision/ethos/et al. is for the Strategic Plan. How will that overarching vision guide us in development of goals and objectives? The group will identify 2-4 overall goals to shepherd the Strategic Plan and ensure that they remain in focus throughout our work and the Plan itself.

- Use this information to then categorize specific activities/focus areas for each of the four (4) required pillars: Employment, Housing, Safety, and Health and Well-Being.
- Open discussion to achieve consensus and vote (if, applicable) on the 3 overall goals of our first Strategic Plan.
- Determine which committees are needed; discuss committee chair responsibilities, each member must email Chair (Katie Gandy) by COB Thursday, June 9th, 2022, with preferred committee assignment and express willingness to serve as committee chair.

III. Strategic Plan Committee

Participant(s): Any/All

Confirm members of Strategic Plan Committee. Discuss its role and next steps.

Discuss data **and** feedback received from the Listening Sessions

(Handout)

IV. Benchmarking + Best Practices

Participant(s): Katie Gandy, any/all

Discuss information provided by Chair (in separate attachment) re: best practices and benchmarking examples, from both the U.S. and international

bodies/organizations. **(Handout)**

- Organizations in the greater DMV area who are already operating using industry best practices and standards; within the state government system of Maryland, are any agencies or organizations using any disability industry best practices currently?
- If Maryland were to implement, does a test/sample roll-out make sense to work out any issues prior to state-wide implementation?

VII. Public Announcements or Comments/Questions (if time allows)

Participant(s): All/Any

- Upcoming events
 - Chair/State Coordinator
 - Stakeholder group members (individually)
 - Stakeholder group member organizations/employers
 - Other commissions within GOCI or throughout state government
- Next Meeting (full body)
 - Per statute, we are required to meet as a full group four (4) times per calendar year and this meeting is the second (2nd). Our committees will be assigned and ramping up their work in the coming weeks, but it is also rapidly approaching summertime.
 - **Vote** on meeting in July/August or in mid-late September

VIII. Meeting Adjourned

Meeting Notes: