



**GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY SERVICE BOARDS
INTELLECTUAL & DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COMMITTEE**

**July 29, 2024
VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES**



MEMBERSHIP ATTENDANCE: X - Denotes Attendance				
X	Chair- Cindy Levi - Avita		Legacy – Heather Hatchett	
X	Vice Chair- Jennifer Hibbard – View Point	X	Bridge Health- Melissa Fouts	
X	Advantage- Erin Ray	X	McIntosh Trail- Amanda Brown (Sharon Henley- Proxy)	
X	Aspire- Caroline Chandler	X	Middle Flint- Kerri Roberts	
X	Avita- Hannah Quinn	X	New Horizons- JoAnn Mosley	
	Clayton Center – Paula Tyler		Oconee- Pending	
X	CSB of Middle Georgia- Stephen Smith		Pathways- Jade Benefield	
X	Dekalb- Larry Fuller		Pineland- June DiPolito	
	Douglas County – Gale Walton	X	River Edge- Greta O’Dell	
	Gateway – Rufus Johnson	X	Serenity- Laurie Bradford	
X	Georgia Pines- Christine M. Mayer	X	Unison- Belydia McCarty (Sabrina Tutem- Proxy)	
X	Highland Rivers- Dena Payne		View Point Health- Sayon Cooper	
GUESTS: Dana Glass (Aspire), Michelle Williams (Pineland)				
DISTRIBUTION: IDD Ops 05/06/2024 Minutes, Agenda for 7/29/24				

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action/ Resolution	Responsibility	Due Date
Welcome/Call To Order	Chair, Cindy Levi, called the virtual meeting to order at 11:03 AM.			
Approval of Agenda	A motion to approve the 07/29/2024 amended Agenda was made by Caroline Chandler, second by Greta O’Dell and passed without opposition.			
Approval of Minutes	A motion to approve the 05/06/2024 Minutes was made by Greta O’Dell and second by Dena Payne. It passed without opposition or discussion.			

Statewide Initiatives	<p><i>I/DD Advisory Council-</i> Caroline Chandler gave the update. They had a meeting on July 24th and Ron did not give a timeframe for the retro payments. They expect a “smoother” process. They also have a new e-system in place and hope to get the I/DD contracts by the end of July. Cindy Levi shared they have a new contract manager in place, her name is Sakina Strozier. DBHDD worked over the weekend to get the contract moving this week.</p> <p><i>I/DD Trade Association Meeting-</i> The Association discussed the new rates and what needs to happen. Dena asked about rates for HHP’s and prepaying them. Cindy replied that most CSB’s are likely waiting for the money to arrive before paying the difference. Erin said they are holding off paying especially not knowing what tier a person may fall under. GA Pines said the same thing. Cindy stated that services with tiers do not qualify for retro payments. Erin stated that the contract she received on Friday that they didn’t change the day rates. Secondly, the Association discussed Regional Transfer Agreements. It was shared there was significant delays in processing the paperwork and they replied that it was needed because of uninformed staff/training errors. They promised to make the process smoother.</p> <p><i>I/DD Workforce Development Committee-</i> No update due to no meetings.</p> <p><i>New I/DD Workgroup-</i> No update due to no meetings.</p> <p><i>CCBHC/NADD Certification</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dena finished the survey and said it was a great experience and thanked Greta for her help. • Erin Ray shared her clinical NADD application was easy and a good process. She made herself available to help others. 			
Clinical Ops Committee Update	<p>Did not meet in July and will regroup after the GACSB strategic planning session in August.</p>			
I/DD Rate Conversation	<p>Erin asked if we were given a timeframe to hire enough staff to make the ratios. Cindy replied by stating some CSB’s have begun the hiring process and others have not. If you do, then you are taking on the cost of those workers prior to the rates being implemented. She doubts a timeframe will be given for the staffing ratios as they must be in place to bill at the new rates.</p>			

Operational Challenges	<p>Lori Bradford asked about why there was so much of a challenge regarding Medicaid validation. Chris, Stephen, Caroline all agreed. Cindy suggested that everyone bring it up at the next Statewide provider meetings.</p> <p>Kerri Roberts was wondering about the “IDD Healthcare” training requirement in the provider manual. Hannah Quinn will be providing information to everyone on how to access the 6-hour training through DBHDD Relias network.</p> <p>Larry encouraged committee members to document the reason when an individual is unable to go into the community. As a requirement for community participation, the ASO is monitoring for community participation during their audit of CAG services.</p>	<p>Share the issue at statewide provider meetings.</p> <p>Hannah Quinn to obtain and send out the training codes.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>Hannah</p>	
OTHER	<p>The IDD Committee will meet late afternoon on Sunday prior to the start of the Exchange Leadership Conference weekend as tradition. (OCT 27th)</p> <p>Reminded folks of the I/DD Provider meetings on Aug. 13 (Tifton), 14 (Macon), and virtually on the 15th.</p>			
Next Meeting	<p>Will be on August 26th, 2024 at 11 a.m.</p>			
Adjournment	<p>Seeing no more agenda items Cindy adjourned the meeting early at 11:46 a.m.</p>			
Other	<p>Reminder- Upcoming Provider meetings & Educational Exchange Save the Date</p> <p>Members reported useful information from the I/DD Learning Collaborative.</p>			
Next Meeting	<p>The next meeting is scheduled for June 24, 2024 at 11AM.</p>			
Adjournment	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 11:49AM.</p>			
Chair:	<p>Cindy Levi</p>	<p>Recorded By: Hariah Hutkowski (Avita)</p>		