



ACQ Executive Committee Meeting Notes
November 24 2025
2:00PM to 3:30PM

Participants

- Scott Doan, *Deputy Director, Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD)*
- Tracy Perry, *Co-Chair, ACQ Executive Committee and CEO, Direct Therapy Services*
- Siri Guru Nam Khalsa, *Co-Chair, ACQ Executive Committee, Advocate and Nurse Educator*
- Daniel Ekman, *Advocate, Developmental Disabilities Council, Program Manager, Center for Self Advocacy*
- Valerie Dewbre, *ACQ Executive Committee, Director of Adult Service Coordination, ENMRSH*
- Kelley Harvey, *ACQ Administrator*

Agenda/Discussion

1. Greetings
2. Stipends for MVAC Members
3. ACQ Agenda Prep for December 11, 2025
 - a. Speakers
 - i. Pat Osborn, START Program Updates
 - ii. Parent Panel - sharing experiences, needs, and how services could be improved
 - iii. ACQ Executive Committee Member request for new ideas on facilitating meetings
 1. Addresses the formal complaint, October 2025
 2. Do we need to circle back with Angelique on incorporating her ideas?
 - iv. Jennifer Rodriguez, topics for ACQ
 1. During previous ACQ meetings, the subcommittee requested information from DDSD about children and youth—particularly those who are out-of-state and have IDD (Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities) or ASD (Autism Spectrum Disorder) and who would likely qualify for the DD waiver. DDSD had agreed to provide this data, but it has not yet been received.
 2. Systemic problem: the State is increasing enrollment in the waiver programs without increasing provider capacity at the same pace.
 3. Budget related: Question asked on whether cost modeling might be a better method than traditional rate studies for determining appropriate funding levels for services such as direct support and consulting - could it provide a more accurate approach to evaluating service costs?
 4. Sustainable retention strategies
 5. Rate Study Updates

- b. Preparing for Calendar Year 2026
 - i. Calendar updates
 - ii. Zoom link confirmations
 - iii. Annual training
 - iv. Updating the ACQ distribution list
- 4. ACQ Membership Openings
 - a. Ann Marie Parameter, 11/03/2025
 - i. Final Day with UNM 01/06/2026
 - ii. Listed a proxy, Shawna McGill (Interim Director for Med Frag)
 - b. Additional opening:
 - i. Open Position: People with I/DD and members of their families – Individuals with a diagnosis, either in childhood or adulthood, of an intellectual or developmental disability or family members or family guardians (i.e., not corporate guardian) of that individual. One member shall receive services at an Intermediate Care Facility/IDD.
- 5. ACQ Board Member Review for Calendar Year 2026
- 6. ACQ Distro Distribution
 - a. ACQ Meeting Summary Notes, 10/09/2025
 - b. ACQ Listening Session Summary Notes, 11/13/2025
 - c. ACQ Member Flyer - HOLD, we received interest for Lisa's position and Ann Marie - send out interest email and Shawn McGill interested
- 7. Open Floor Discussion