



**Advisory Council on Quality Supports for People with
Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities
July 10, 2025
ZOOM Meeting
9:00 AM to 12:30 PM**

Mission: *The Advisory Council advises the New Mexico Health Care Authority on the systems guiding the provision of services and supports that assist people with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities of all ages and their families to be fully included in New Mexico communities.*

Vision: *People with Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities of all ages and their families receive the support and services needed to live inclusively and as independently as possible within their community*

Agenda

Time	Topic
9:00AM - 9:10AM	Welcome and announcements: <i>Siri Guru Nam Khalsa, ACQ Co-Chair</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introductions will be made by printing names and agencies in the chat box.• ACQ Board of Director (BOD) members, please list this on ZOOM with your name (not just in the chat) so the ACQ Co-Chairs can easily identify BOD members.• A reminder that everyone is invited to participate during Public Comment periods but otherwise the discussions are for ACQ members. ACQ BOD members only will be called on during the discussion periods.• A reminder that the ACQ is a safe, respectful place for all. Please direct all comments to the issues, not about specific individuals.• The ACQ Executive Committee continues to host ACQ Executive Committee Listening sessions bi-monthly (the opposite month from the ACQ meetings) to hear and discuss people's recommendations/ concerns/questions, etc. The upcoming Listening Session pending TBD• The ACQ has a survey form to help improve the ACQ meetings. Please provide feedback at https://s.surveyplanet.com/jmes7mjb• If you have any concerns you want to bring to the attention of the ACQ Executive Committee, please contact any ACQ Executive Committee member: Tracy Perry (tracy@directtherapyservices.com), Siri Guru Nam Khalsa (sirigurunamkaur@hotmail.com), Daniel Ekman (daniel.ekman@ddc.nm.gov), Lisa Blue (tblue11@comcast.net), Kelley Harvey (kelley.harvey@yahoo.com) or Scott Doan (scott.doan@hca.nm.gov)
9:10 AM - 9:20 AM	Review and request approval for minutes from April 10, 2025 ACQ Meeting, May 8, 2025 ACQ Listening Session, June 12, 2025 ACQ Listening Session
9:20 AM - 9:30 AM	Public Comment: <i>Daniel Ekman, ACQ Executive Committee Member</i>
9:30 AM - 10:15 AM	DDSD Director's Report: Jennifer Rodriguez, <i>Director, DDSD</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Topics:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Update on Chatbot○ Medicaid cuts○ Mi Via Waiver Renewal Proposed limitations to Community Direct Support Services (capping at 40 hours/week or 2080 hours annually)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Supports Waiver Update ○ Implementation Gross Receipt Tax (GRT) HB357 ○ Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) Open Aggregator ○ DD Waiver Individualized Service Plan (ISP) Redesign and Rollout ● Q&A
10:15 AM - 10:45 AM	ACQ Membership Openings: <i>Tracy Perry, ACQ Co-Chair</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Confirmation of ACQ Provider Membership, Frank Villegas ● Introduction of interested ACQ candidates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Rachel England ○ Curt Harrison ○ Jake Blanchfield ● Voting Quorum
10:45 AM - 11:00 AM	Break
11:00 AM - 11:45 AM	Presentations and Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● By-Laws Update, Daniel Ekman, <i>Advocate, Developmental Disabilities Council, Program Manager, Center for Self Advocacy</i> ● Behavior Health Waiver Information - Lisa Blue, <i>Special Education Consultant</i> and Tracy Perry, <i>ACQ Co-Chair</i>
11:45 AM - 11:55 AM	Discussion on ACQ sub-committees: <i>Tracy Perry, ACQ Co-Chair</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Rate Study Sub-Committee, Nomination Deadline is July 11, 2025
11:55 PM - 12:15 PM	Standing Committee Updates: <i>Tracy Perry, ACQ Co-Chair</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● ACQ By Laws: <i>Daniel Ekman Daniel.Ekman@ddc.nm.gov</i> ● Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC): <i>April Spaulding aprils@abrazos.org</i> ● Mi Via Advisory Committee: <i>Tim Gardner tgardner@drnm.org</i> ● Medically Fragile Waiver Family Advisory Board (FAB): <i>Ann Marie Parmenter AMParmenter@salud.unm.edu</i> ● Mi Vía Vendor Stakeholders: <i>Angelique Tafoya atafoya@altamiranm.org</i> ● ACQ Policy and Quality: <i>Elana Gonzales elana.gonzales@hca.nm.gov</i> ● Youth Supported Living Development Committee: <i>Gay Finlayson gfinlayson@salud.unm.edu</i>
12:15 PM - 12:25 PM	Public Comment: <i>Lisa Blue, ACQ Executive Committee Member</i>
12:25 PM	Closing: <i>Tracy Perry, ACQ Co-Chair</i>

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DDSD ACQ website:

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