



**Advisory Council on Quality Supports for People with
Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities**
October 9, 2025
ZOOM Meeting
9:00 AM to 12:00 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: Siri Guru Nam Khalsa, ACQ Co-Chair <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.surveypalnet.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@directotherapyservices.com), Siri Guru Nam Khalsa (sirigurunamkaur@hotmail.com), Daniel Ekman (daniel.ekman@ddc.nm.gov) Kelley Harvey (kbethharvey@gmail.com) or Scott Doan (scott.doan@hca.nm.gov)
9:10 AM - 10:00 AM	DDSD Director's Report: Jennifer Rodriguez, Director, DDSD <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Topics:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Special Legislative Session, October 2025○ Events for Recovery Month○ HCA Representation for Mi Via Sub-Committee○ House Bill 395 and report of calculation/usage on wages○ Rate Study Updates○ Lease Agreement (DDSD Director requested in writing, ACQ's collective input specifically related to lease agreement questions and concerns)• Q&A
10:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Representative Kathleen Cates <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Updates• Q&A

10:30 AM - 10:40 AM	Public Comment: <i>Daniel Ekman, ACQ Executive Committee Member</i>
10:40 AM - 10:55 AM	Break
10:55 AM - 11:05 AM	Review and request approval for minutes from ACQ Meeting, August 14th, 2025 Summary Notes, ACQ Executive Meeting, August 22nd, 2025 Summary Notes, ACQ Listening Session, September 11th, 2025 Summary Notes, ACQ Executive Meeting, September 23, 2025 Summary Notes
11:05 AM - 11:25 AM	ACQ Membership Openings: <i>Tracy Perry, ACQ Co-Chair</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction of interested Behavior Support Candidate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chris Larranaga Introduction of interested ACQ Executive Candidate Voting Quorum 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.
11:25 AM - 11:35 AM	Discussion on ACQ sub-committees: <i>Tracy Perry, ACQ Co-Chair</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rate Study Sub-Committee
11:35 AM - 11:55 AM	Standing Committee Updates: <i>Tracy Perry, ACQ Co-Chair</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ACQ By Laws: <i>Daniel Ekman</i> Daniel.Ekman@ddc.nm.gov Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC): <i>April Spaulding</i> aprls@abrazos.org Mi Via Advisory Committee: <i>Tim Gardner</i> tgardner@drnm.org Medically Fragile Waiver Family Advisory Board (FAB): <i>Ann Marie Parmenter</i> AMPParmenter@salud.unm.edu Mi Vía Vendor Stakeholders: <i>Angelique Tafoya</i> atafoya@altamiranm.org ACQ Policy and Quality: <i>Winton Wood</i> wiwood@salud.unm.edu Youth Supported Living Development Committee: <i>Gay Finlayson</i> gfinlayson@salud.unm.edu
11:55 AM - 12:05 PM	Public Comment: <i>Daniel Ekman, ACQ Executive Committee Member</i>
12:05 PM	Closing: <i>Tracy Perry, ACQ Co-Chair</i>

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<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86170551005>

DDSD ACQ website:

[Advisory.Council.on.Quality - New Mexico Human Services Department \(nm.gov\)](http://Advisory.Council.on.Quality - New Mexico Human Services Department (nm.gov))

ACQ Public Comments:

<http://www.cdd.unm.edu/other-disability-programs/disability-health-policy/ddsdcourses/quality-public-comments.html>