



**ACQ Executive Committee Meeting Notes**  
**July 3, 2025**  
**2:00PM to 3:30PM**

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**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*
- Lisa Blue, *Special Education Consultant*
- Daniel Ekman, *Advocate, Developmental Disabilities Council, Program Manager, Center for Self Advocacy*
- Kelley Harvey, *ACQ Administrator*

**Agenda/Discussion**

1. ACQ Membership Votes and Confirmation
2. Rate Study Sub-Committee
3. ACQ Meeting Agenda for July 10, 2025
4. ACQ Distro
5. Open Floor Discussion

**Meetings Notes**

**1. ACQ Membership Votes and Confirmation**

- a. There are 3 open vacancies, 1.) "3 Other Organizations", 2.) 1 behavior support, and "7 provider representation" that each allow up to 3 consecutive terms to serve
- b. Current interested candidates who will attend next ACQ Meeting:
  - i. Rachel England
  - ii. Curt Harrison
  - iii. Jake Blanchfield
- c. The Governor's office confirmed Frank Villegas, announcement will be made at the next ACQ Meeting on July 10, 2025
- d. Action item 1: ACQ Administrator will confirm with 3 interested candidates the date and time of ACQ Meeting and their attendance. Additionally, a follow-up is needed to Curt and Jake about the opening available under the "7 provider representation" and are competing for the same spot
- e. Action item 2: ACQ Administrator will reach out to Zoom team to confirm poll access to hold voting quorum during ACQ Meeting on July 10, 2025

## **2. Rate Study Sub-Committee**

- a. Reviewed list of nominations, total of 8 as of July 3, 2025
- b. Question to be considered to share with others:
  - i. How many meetings must the committee commit to?
- c. Action item: ACQ Administrator will send out a reminder to ACQ Distro and will continue to provide updates to HCA until the deadline of July 11, 2025
- d. Action item: Scott will check in with Joseph Tighe if there is a tentative Rate Study Sub-Committee schedule

## **3. ACQ Meeting Agenda for July 10th, 2025**

- a. Presentations:
  - i. LEND presentation on respite care funding and potential legislative advocacy will be postponed – unable to confirm with speaker
  - ii. By-Laws update from Daniel Ekman confirmed he will be presenting and material will be shared with ACQ Distro before the meeting
  - iii. Josh Parkins will present and discuss on the Medically Fragile Waiver renewal
  - iv. Steven Fernandez will present and discuss DD Waiver renewal
  - v. Niki Kozlowski, Income Support Division Director, will not be able to present – unable to confirm with speaker
  - vi. Health Management Associates (HMA) will not be attending the ACQ Meeting on July 10, 2025
  - vii. Behavior Health Waiver Information - Lisa Blue and Tracy Perry
  - viii. Jen Rodriguez, DDS Director, will be attending and potential conversations may be on the following:
    1. Update on Chatbot
    2. Medicaid cuts
    3. Mi Via Waiver Renewal Proposed limitations to Community Direct Support Services (capping at 40 hours/week or 2080 hours annually)
    4. Supports Waiver Update
    5. Implementation Gross Receipt Tax (GRT) HB357
    6. Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) Open Aggregator
    7. DD Waiver Individualized Service Plan (ISP) Redesign and Rollout

## **4. ACQ Distro**

- a. What needs to be sent to ACQ Distro?
  - i. Annual disclosure forms
    1. Action item: Scott Doan will continue to look for the document
  - ii. Upcoming Annual Training for ACQ will be scheduled for August 21st, 2025 at 1:00 pm for 60 minutes. The announcement will be made at the ACQ Meeting on July 10, 2025
  - iii. Items to be sent to ACQ Distro before July 10, 2025:
    1. Agenda

2. ACQ Executive Summary from May 29, 2025
3. ACQ Listening Session Summary from June 12, 2025
4. By-Law document from Daniel Ekman
5. Resend Rate Study Sub-Committee nomination request
6. Any recent sub-committee notes

**5. Open Floor Discussion**

- a. Health Care Authority (HCA) website related: Mi Via Sub-Committee. Will the sub-committee be getting their own page on HCA?
  - i. Scott directed Tracy to have the chair of committee work with Mi Via Program manager to discuss further

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**Follow-up points:**

- ACQ Meeting
  - Date: July 10, 2025, 9AM to 1PM
- ACQ Executive Meeting
  - Date: July 17, 2025, 2PM to 3:30PM
- ACQ Executive Meeting
  - Date: July 31, 2025, 2PM to 3:30PM
- ACQ Meeting
  - Date: August 14, 2025, 9AM to 1PM