



**GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY SERVICE BOARDS
INTELLECTUAL & DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 29TH, 2023
MEETING MINUTES**



MEMBERSHIP ATTENDANCE: X - Denotes Attendance					
X	Chair- Cindy Levi - Avita	X	Legacy – Heather Hatchett		GACSB- Robyn Garrett
	Vice Chair- Jennifer Hibbard – View Point	X	Bridge Health- Melissa Fouts		GACSB- Jesse Hambrick
X	Advantage- Erin Ray	X	McIntosh Trail- Amanda Brown		GACSB- Renee Millians
X	Aspire- Caroline Chandler	X	Middle Flint- Kerri Roberts	X	GACSB- Dr. Glyn Thomas
X	Avita- Hannah Quinn	X	New Horizons- JoAnn Mosley		
	Clayton Center – Paula Tyler		Oconee- Reginald Rogers		
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		
X	Gateway – Rufus Johnson		Serenity- Laurie Bradford		
X	Georgia Pines- Christine M. Mayer		Unison- Belydia McCarty		
X	Highland Rivers- Dena Payne		View Point Health- Sayon Cooper		
GUESTS: Brenda Albertson- ViewPoint Health, Barbara June- Clayton Center					
DISTRIBUTION: IDD Ops 10/29/2023 Agenda, IDD Ops9/25/2023 Minutes					

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action/Resolution	Responsibility	Due Date
Welcome/Call To Order	Chair, Cindy Levi, called the in person meeting to order at 2:33PM.			
Approval of Agenda	A motion to approve the 10/29/23 Agenda was made by Kerri Roberts. Motion was seconded by Dena Payne and carried without opposition.			
Approval of Minutes	A motion to approve the 09/25/2023 Minutes was made by Stephen Smith. Motion was seconded by Amanda Brown and carried without opposition.			
Statewide Initiatives	I/DD Advisory Council- No Report I/DD Workforce Development Committee- Cindy Levi began the conversation regarding the 3 DSP Pilot Projects that will begin in 2024, reminding everyone about the informational sessions being held on November 1, 2,3 for more details. Greta O’Dell provided more detail on each pilot and clarified that a CSB can participate in any or all of the pilots. She reminded the group that a mentor is required for the apprenticeship program and that DSPs completing all requirements for one of the pathways will receive a \$5,000 bonus upon completion.			

	<p>New I/DD Workgroup- Cindy Levi reported that the last meeting of the IDD Workgroup was held on 10/20/23. Focus of this meeting was education regarding the processes currently utilized for the Planning List. Questions raised by the group included such things as: Do we want a distinction between “Planning List” individuals and “In Process List” individuals? A suggestion was made regarding partnering with the Dept. of Education to identify individuals with IDD at an earlier age for planning. It was also noted that there needs to be more education surrounding the Guardianship process. Next meeting scheduled for 11/28/23.</p> <p>CCBHC/NADD Certification-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DBHDD Updates- JoAnn Mosley reported that New Horizon’s NADD application was submitted as did Erin Ray for Advantage. Both CSBs are anticipating their audits in December, 2023. Dena Payne reported that Highland Rivers anticipates submitting their application in February, 2024. <p>IDD Provider Meetings- Cindy Levi reminded the group that IDD Provider Meetings will be held:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • November 14 in Tifton • November 15 in Macon • November 16 in Douglasville 			
<p>Clinical Ops Workgroup Update</p>	<p>No Report</p>			
<p>Operational Challenges</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greta O’Dell reported working with the authors of Mindset to develop a higher level of training to properly support individuals with aggressive behaviors. Other behavior management programs explored are not approved by DBHDD. • Kerri Roberts began a conversation regarding the use of volunteers and interns, stressing the challenge of the extensive DBHDD required training as a deterrent. One recommendation was to consider use of natural supports. • Dena Payne shared being cited by support Coordination for having RNs complete AIMS. Question was submitted to PIMS and awaiting response. 			

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caroline Chandler brought up a challenge they are experiencing with support Coordination requesting online access to debit cards utilized for those individuals they support as Representative Payee. • Erin ray discussed Bowel Tracking Charts and resistance by individuals who don't want staff looking at their bowel movements. • Kerri Roberts noted being cited for not providing the approved number of nursing units. Many chimed in expressing challenges with having access to enough nursing hours due to the RN shortage. 			
IDD Advocacy Efforts	Cindy Levi reminded the committee of the importance of advocating to our legislators			
Annual Leadership Conference	We have a good representation of IDD staff across the CSBs at this years Annual Leadership Conference and look forward to the IDD specific breakout sessions.			
Other	Dr. Glyn Thomas will present Waiver Data at our next meeting and a few CSBs will share their tips on how they have increased the number of waiver individuals served.			
Next Meeting	November 27, 2023			
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 3:45pm			
Vice Chair:	Cindy Levi	Recorded By: Cindy Levi		