



IDDEAS Advisory Council (IAC)

Public Meeting

November 26, 2024

Agenda Item	Time
• Welcome, Introductions, and Meeting Overview	1:00 pm to 1:20 pm
• Council and Partner Updates	1:20 pm to 1:35 pm
• Denver Public Library I/DD Digital Navigator Update	1:35 pm to 1:50 pm
• Break	1:50 pm to 1:55 pm
• Bayaud BE HOME Presentation	1:55 pm to 2:35 pm
• Public Comment	2:35 pm to 2:55 pm
• Planning for Next Meeting	2:55 pm to 3:00 pm

Introductions

- IDDEAS Advisory Council members will introduce themselves. When introducing yourself please say:
 - Your name and any role on the council
 - Your gender pronouns
 - Visual description
 - Affiliations and background



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IAC Members:

- Alexxa Gagner
- Beth Bevilacqua
- Brian Be (co-chair)
- Chris Patton
- Janessa Systo
- Jessica Raichle
- Lindsay Westmiller (co-chair)
- Michelle Dumay (CAC member)
- Molly Mason
- Stefanie Gross
- Kizzly Blue (non-voting member, RMHS delegate)
- Corey Boyle (DHS Secretary)









Intellectual and Developmental Disability Equitable Access to Services (IDDEAS)

Mission: IDDEAS partners with the community to manage local taxpayer dollars dedicated for Denver residents with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Vision: We strive to make Denver an inclusive community where people with I/DD feel welcome, valued and empowered to live the lives they envision for themselves

IDDEAS Advisory Council (IAC) is comprised of Denver residents with lived experienced with I/DD. The IAC meets monthly to discuss all sorts of topics relevant to Denver residents with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Using community feedback, individual knowledge, and expert presentations, the council provides recommendations to Denver Human Services about the best way to prioritize funds and programs.

IDDEAS Advisory Council Meeting Expectations

-  Please be respectful of everyone attending the meeting.
-  Mute yourself, raise your hand, and unmute to speak. Introduce yourself to speak.
-  Stay on topic.
-  All meetings are public and recorded. Chats are posted publicly as well.
-  Votes will happen in the chat. Ensure that chat is set to “everyone”.
-  Please remain safe during meetings.
-  Please respect and honor the Denver Code of Ethics
-  Have fun!

Minutes

- Review 10/29/2024 meeting minutes
- Any requested changes?
- Potential action item: vote to approve minutes
 - Motion to approve [with revisions]?
 - Second?
 - Vote in chat (all voting members to respond: Yes, No, or Abstain)



Thank you!

Two of our council members will be ending their terms in December.

Thank you to Lindsay and Beth for all your time, effort, and advocacy! You've shown valuable passion and dedication to your fellow community members and people with I/DD, and Denver has benefited so much from your work.

CAC Member report out

- Rocky Mountain Human Services Community Advisory Council report
- Other updates by other council members can also be shared during this time

<https://www.rmhumanservices.org/cac>





Council Updates

Update us on current events or happenings related to our Advisory Council and Denver residents with I/DD.

Please keep updates brief and fully relevant to our community.

Officer Election Process Review

We have two co-chairs. Each co-chair is elected by the Council and serves for a one-year term. Co-chairs:

1. Preside at meetings of the Council.
2. Represent the Council in their capacities as officers of the Council.
3. Facilitate consensus-building activities around topics central to the purpose of the Council.
4. Ensure that the members of the Council, in collaboration with Denver Human Services, are engaging the community to solicit feedback on a regular basis.
5. Fully participate in planning activities with DHS staff liaison, as requested.

The co-chairs can be re-nominated and elected by the Council at the end of their terms.

Community Advisory Council Member

The Council elects a Community Advisory Council Member (CAC Member) to serve on Rocky Mountain Human Service's (RMHS) Community Advisory Council. This council member works to collaborate with RMHS and the RMHS delegate to report on their meetings, events, and updates to ensure collaboration between the two groups and no duplication of work. Currently, the CAC member is Michelle Dumay.

CAC members are expected to attend the CAC meetings at RMHS, which occur both in person and virtually at 3:30 on the third Thursday each month.

[RMHS CAC Website](#)

Election Process

1. Elections must be public, recorded, and documented. We follow Robert's Rules of Order for voting process, generally. We utilize *open nominations*.
2. For each officer position, in order, the DHS secretary will ask for nominations. You can self-nominate, and you can also deny a nomination for any reason. You do not need to second a nomination.
3. Once nominations are received, the DHS secretary will repeat them for all to hear. We will then vote for each position one-by-one. The secretary will call for Yes or No votes for each nominee in the order they received them. **You must only vote for one nominee.**
4. If a majority of votes is received, that nominee will be elected immediately, without voting upon any further nominees.
5. If there is a tie, we repeat voting until someone receives a majority. If needed, we can vote again at another date; interim chairs can be appointed to make sure council work continues.
6. Once all positions are filled, those elected will begin their responsibilities at the next meeting. The DHS Secretary will meet with them beforehand to help them become familiar with their role; previous officers are invited to help onboard them, as well.

Voting will occur in January. To help facilitate this process, anyone interested in either becoming or remaining an officer should let Corey know ahead of time, to be able to discuss any questions about officer duties. Conversation can be had publicly ahead of voting, but keep in mind this can become a lengthy process.

Break (5 minutes)

Please take 5 minutes to rest your eyes and brain, use the bathroom, have water or a snack, or do anything else you need. Feel free to step away and turn off your camera. Please come back and turn your camera on at the noted time.

Bayaud BE HOME Follow Up Discussion

Erica Hostetler will provide follow up information from last month's meeting.

Questions for the IAC

- What spaces/organizations should BE HOME outreach to connect with more people eligible for their services, such as people with aging caregiver concerns?
- Do you have any suggested topics for peer groups or client learning sessions for the program to incorporate?
- Are there any services missing that you recommend BE HOME consider?
- How do you, as community members, find housing opportunities?

2025 Recruitment Plans

1. Recruitment timeline: **February until April 2025.**
2. Need to recruit 3 new council members.
3. Broad distribution and intentional outreach to underrepresented communities.
4. Council member participation needed at all stages!
 - ✓ Planning
 - ✓ Recruitment
 - ✓ Interview



Recruitment Discussion

Any thoughts, questions, or feedback regarding the plans for 2025?

What will council engagement look like?

Forecasting Next Meeting

January, 2025

HRCP Division of Disability Rights Town Hall – December 3rd at 4:00 pm

December 14th – Get together starting at 1:00 at Brewability!



Council Adjournment

Council members are invited to move to adjourn.