



Council Citizen Member Vacancy Announcement

The Indiana Governor's Council for People with Developmental Disabilities (GCPD) is recruiting new members to serve on the Council.

General overview of the Council's purpose:

The Council serves to help the State of Indiana in implementing the Developmental Disabilities Act of 2000 (DD Act) by developing and implementing the State Plan to engage in advocacy, capacity building, and systems change activities. The Council is consumer and family driven, meaning people with developmental disabilities and their family members play a central role in shaping how community services, individualized supports and other assistance helps people with developmental disabilities exercise self-determination, independence, productivity, and be included in all aspects of community life.

General Membership Overview

Membership is established through the DD Act of 2000 and Indiana Code 4-23-29-8. GCPD members are appointed by the Governor of Indiana to serve a three (3) year term. Members can be reappointed for a second three-year term but cannot serve more than two consecutive terms. Additional member information is collected in the application process to meet membership requirements of the Council.

Specific criteria being sought for member representation:

- Person with a Developmental Disability
- Parent, Immediate Relative or Guardian of a child(ren) and/or an adult with a Developmental Disability
- Individual with disabilities representing local community or statewide organization whose stated mission includes fostering the productivity, inclusion, and independence of people with developmental disabilities
- Community Member or a Business demonstrating a commitment to implementing the Americans with Disabilities Act
- Provider of Services to people with disabilities, including Special Education programs, Independent living centers, community-based programs, health care, preschool, early intervention programs, or area agencies on aging

General Meeting Information:

The Council meetings are held the second Tuesday of every quarter from 10 am to 2:30 pm, in-person with a virtual meeting option. Additional meetings are scheduled as needed and Council members are asked to serve on at least one (1) working committee.

Support for Participation:

Participants appointed to the Council are provided with reimbursement for travel expenses, including mileage, respite/child-care costs, food per diem, overnight accommodations as needed, and a minimum salary per diem provided by IC 4-10-11-2.1 (b). Additionally, GCPD will provide access accommodations in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and procedures.

Selection Process:

After applying to the Council, potential new members will be interviewed by the Council's Leadership Committee and submitted to the Governor's Office for appointment. Applicants who are not appointed are invited to serve on Council Committees as Community Resource Members and to stay actively engaged in Council activities should a vacancy become open.

Application Link:

Use this link to complete the Citizen Member Application online: <https://tinyurl.com/INGCPDCouncil>
Request a writeable electronic copy, plain text copy or other format by email the Council at Council@gcpd.in.gov.