North Carolina Council on Developmental Disabilities

# Draft

# Advocacy Development Committee Agenda

**Thursday, February 6th, 2025**

**1:30 PM – 3:30 PM**

**Virtual Meeting Link:** [https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1607908677?pwd=iJBOdgaCkWPx1e3NlJtqnXC1Lgm5mZ.1](https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.zoomgov.com%2Fj%2F1607908677%3Fpwd%3DiJBOdgaCkWPx1e3NlJtqnXC1Lgm5mZ.1&data=05%7C02%7CDavid.Ingram%40dhhs.nc.gov%7C1d9675fe081345df560c08dced2b5ca6%7C7a7681dcb9d0449a85c3ecc26cd7ed19%7C0%7C0%7C638646017751664255%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=856cg52VCPNyGU31YGANAicget58WneCNtMqazWQCts%3D&reserved=0)

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| 1:30 p.m. – 1:40 p.m.  10 minutes | Introduction* Welcome
* Self-Introductions
 | *Donna Spears, Chair* |
| 1:40 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.  5 minutes | Approval of November Minutes | *Donna Spears, Chair* |
| 1:45 p.m. – 2:35 p.m.  | **Initiatives Updates**  |  |
|  15 minutes (2:00) 10 minutes (2:10) | 2025 ALP-NC/CenterED ResourcesHispanic Disability Advocate | *Cameron Kempson, CEO*  *Hanna Shumaker, Dir. ALP* *Irlanda Ruiz, NCCDD Staff* |
|  10 minutes (2:20) 15 minutes (2:35) | * Self-Advocate Discussion Series
* Advocacy Leaders Network
 | *Chris Hendricks, NCCDD Staff**Melissa Swartz, NCCDD Staff* |
|   **2:35 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.**15 minutes (2:50) | Fiscal Report  | *Shar’ron Williams, NCCDD Staff* |
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| **2:50 p.m. –3:00 p.m.** 10 minutes (3:00) | **Wrap Up and Reminders*** Announcements
* Policy Education Committee Every 2nd Thursday from 10:30am – 12pm (Virtual Only)
* Reminder: Next Council meeting: --April 15, 16, & 17, 2025

--Tues., Weds, and Thurs.-- @ Carolina Beach | *Donna Spears, Chair* |
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**ADVOCACY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**Donna Spears, Chair Individual with DD-Onslow**

Keith B. Carney Parent-Pender

Yvonne Copeland; Alternate: Danielle Matula Agency: DHHS-W/C Health-Wake

Sherif Elgindi Individual with DD-Durham

Myron Michelle Gavin Parent-Craven

Representative Zach Hawkins Parent-Durham

Aldea LaParr Individual with DD-Wayne

Virginia Knowlton Marcus Agency: Disability Rights NC-Wake

William Miller Individual with DD-Davidson

Tocarra E. Osborne Parent-Bladen

Karey Perez; Alternate: Sarah Smith Agency: DHHS-Aging & Adult Services-Wake

Joe Piven, M.D.; Alternate: Anna Ward Agency: Carolina Institute on DD-Orange

Olivia Rose Scott Individual with DD-Wayne

Marjorie Serralles-Russell Parent-Mecklenburg

***Staff: Melissa Swartz, Ph.D.***