


Greetings!

- Welcome to the June 2024 Board for Developmental Disabilities Meeting.
- We ask for your grace as we move back to holding hybrid Board meetings.
- The meeting is scheduled to begin at 3:30 p.m. If the meeting does not start at 3:30 p.m., please stand by as we may be experiencing technical difficulties in launching the meeting on time.

Closed Captioning and American Sign Language (ASL) Interpretation

- **Closed Captioning** of the meeting is available by clicking the  icon at the bottom of your screen.
- **If you need ASL interpretation** please request it in the Chat Box, staff will allow you to pin the screen of the ASL interpreter.

We Do Audio Description

WHY?

Help low-vision people picture you

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Say your name.
Use "AGREED" to describe yourself

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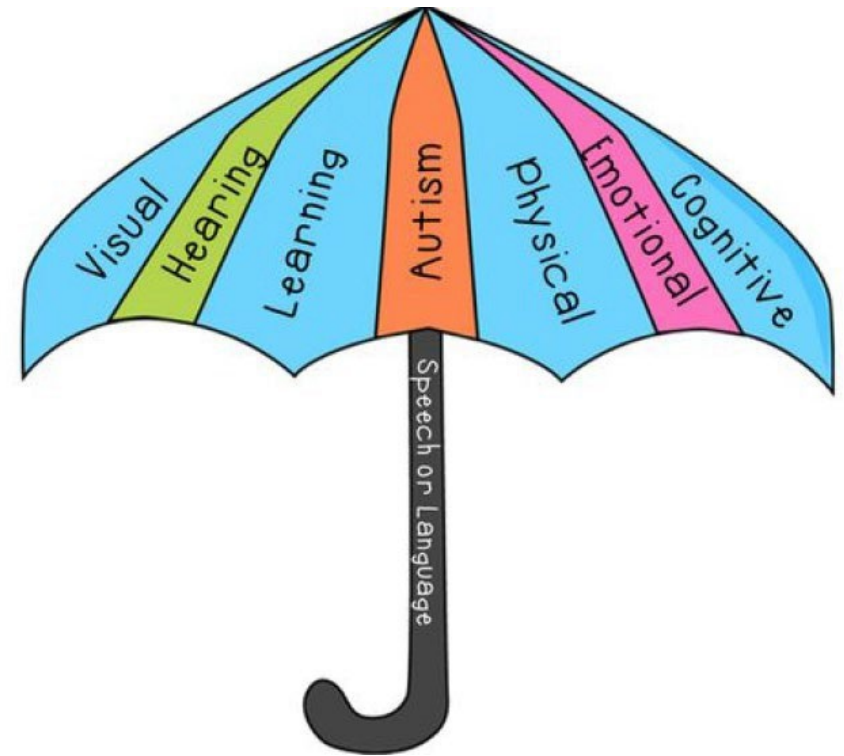
Presentations & Presenters

Presenters give contact information at the end of their presentation. Look in the Chat Box and feel free to contact them. Some of their slide shows and information sheets will be posted on our website.



What is a Developmental Disability?

The Washington State Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) defines a developmental disability as a disability attributed to an intellectual disability, cerebral palsy, epilepsy, autism, or another neurological or other condition.



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CHAIR'S REMARKS

June 2024

Remembering Hameed Quraishi





King County

**Department of Community and Human Services
Developmental Disabilities and Early Childhood Supports Division**

Certificate of Appreciation

And

In Loving Memory of

HAMEED QURAIISHI

Thank you for your diligent dedication to ensure services for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities are integrated and inclusive.

*Dow Constantine
King County Executive*

5/29/24

Date

June Board Business

The Board will review and update its Bylaws this month.

August Board Meeting

The Board will hold its next regular quarterly meeting on Wednesday, August 7, 2024, 3:30 - 5:30-pm.

Housing Conference Update

The Board sponsored Housing Conference projected to be held in the fall of 2024 has been postponed.

Upcoming Trainings and Activities

The Board will hold several Board orientation trainings and committee meetings over the summer and fall in preparation to carry out work in 2025 and beyond.

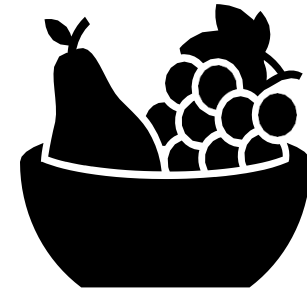
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We Are Taking A Break...

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King County Board June 2024 Updates

*from the Developmental Disabilities Administration
Region 2, King County*

Washington State Department of Social and Health Services



Topics

- Waiver Capacity
- Enhanced Case Manager Program
- No Paid Services Case Management
- Intake and Eligibility Changes
- Other News

Waiver Capacity in Region 2

DDA Waivers:

- Individual and Family Services (IFS) Waiver
- Basic Plus (B+) Waiver
- Core Waiver
- Children's Intensive In-Home Behavioral Support (CIIBS)
- Community Protection (CP) Waiver

We have capacity in all waivers – CIIBS and B+ are getting tighter.

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Enhanced Case Management Program (ECMP)

- **Enhanced Case Management Program (ECMP):** clients identified at being at high risk of abuse, neglect or exploitation, as well as those who have experienced a destabilizing event such as death of primary caregiver
- Region 2 enrolled 377 clients to ECMP in from 1/1-12/31/2023
- Two new teams formed for total of three supervisors and 20 case managers regionally

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Enhanced Case Management Program (ECMP)

- **52 clients were disenrolled in 2023:**

- 6 moved to an Adult Family Home
- 6 moved to Supported Living
- 1 to other residential
- 1 CRM had no concerns (stabilized)
- 1 disenrolled from DDA services
- 1 no longer DDA eligible
- 28 no longer ECMP eligible
- 8 deceased

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No Paid Services (NPS) Case Management

- **No Paid Services (NPS), also known as Service Request and Referral (SRR):** clients who have been determined DDA eligible but do not have a paid service (these clients have not historically case management)
- 4,300 clients assigned to NPS Case Managers in Region 2
 - 9 Case Managers each in King County and the 5 Counties
 - 1 more Case Manager to hire in King County due to caseload growth
 - Caseloads of 1:300; annual outreach, assisting with initial assessments

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Intake and Eligibility Changes

- Age 10 Eligibility Reviews went away in June 2023
- Clients can now be eligible under the Developmental Delay category until age 20
- In October 2024, DDA will remove the IQ portion of eligibility criteria, per House Bill 2008.
 - Clients will need to have a diagnosis of Autism or Intellectual Disability and adaptive test scores of more than 2 standard deviations below the mean.
 - Clients will still need to meet functional eligibility for programs and services (institutional level of care as well as Federal disability determination for waiver programs).

Other News

- Program Changes Coming up:
 - House Bill 1188 making DCYF dependent youth eligible for HCBS Waiver programs
- Other Updates
 - Hired a Region 2 Specialist & Onboarding Administrator to support hiring and onboarding efforts
 - Enhanced communication with CDWA leadership to help troubleshoot issues

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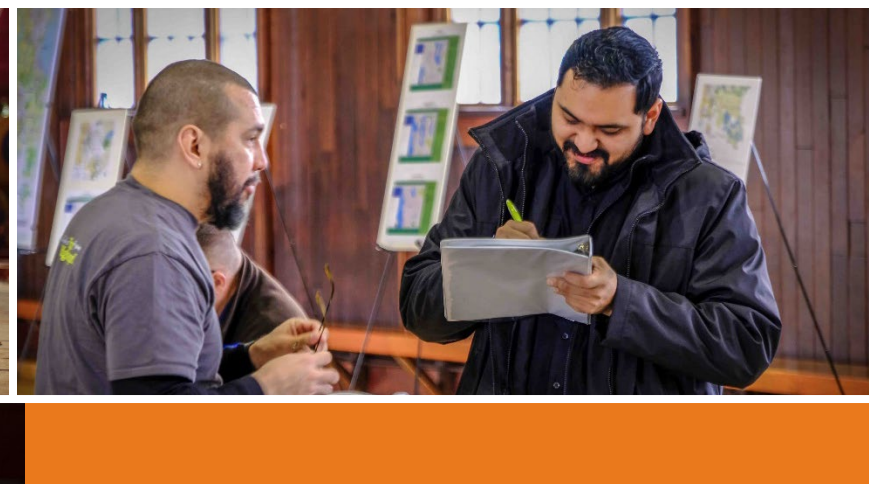
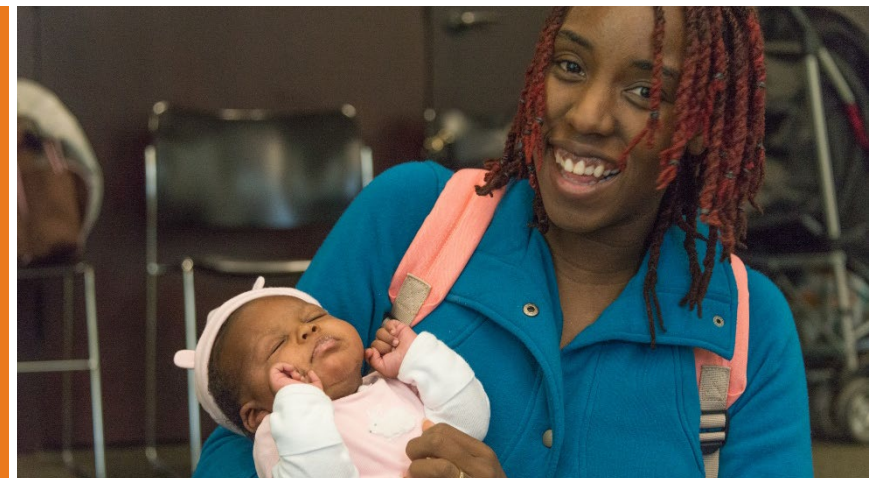
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Developmental Disabilities and Early Childhood Supports Division Report June 2024





Early Childhood Team

What's going on?

Cultivating Prenatal to Five Community-Based Facilitators |

Workforce Development began super exciting and special work with the hopes of elevating leader voices already trusted and embedded within the community who aspire to build skills and practices to conduct culturally responsive trainings in their community and beyond in topics associated with Healthy Child Development, Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health, and Racial Equity.

Participants wrapped up the program in Quarter 1 of this year, with a celebration scheduled in Quarter 2.

What's coming up?

Workforce Development | Upcoming Opportunities for prenatal to five workshops!

- **Let's Talk About Babies: An Introduction to Infant Mental Health and Relationship-Based Work**, Haruko Watanabe and Cynthia Turietta
- **Ages and Stages Questionnaire Social Emotional (ASQ: SE-2): Una Nueva Perspectiva**, Dr. Yamila Lezcano
- **Ages and Stages Questionnaire Social Emotional (ASQ: SE-2)**, Debbie Peterson

...and more! Make sure to check out the Best Starts for Kids website for the latest updates:
www.beststartsworkshops.org





Adult Services Team

What's going on?

Provider Meet Ups | Adult Services team is meeting with each provider with the goal of deepening relationships, growing supportive partnerships, and sharing about Equity, Race, and Social Justice (ERSJ) practices.

ERSJ Capacity Building | The provider meetups will inform future Equity, Race, and Social Justice (ERSJ) related plans and technical assistance offerings to build capacity for culturally and linguistically relevant services in our community.



**Community Information
Outreach and Referral
Team**

What's going on?

Board for Developmental Disabilities | Save the Dates: Following the June 5, 2024, Board for Developmental Disabilities meeting, the Board will hold two more quarterly hybrid meetings in 2024. The meetings dates are Wednesday, August 7, 2024, and Wednesday, November 6, 2024 from 3:30-5:30pm. To have reminders about upcoming Board Meetings sent to your email, visit the Board's [website](#) and under Board Meetings and Events, select [GovDelivery.com Board for Developmental Disabilities](#) to sign up to receive the Boards monthly newsletter.



We're Hiring!!!!

Current job postings

Early Support for Infants and Toddlers Team (ESIT) posted a listing that closed 6/1, that will be used to fill two positions **Project/Program Manager III (Career Service)**, with a partnered leadership approach.

Each of the positions may have a particular focus within job duties, such as:

- ESIT Provider Supports
- Community Engagement

Estephanie Guzman- Infant & Early Childhood Mental Health Specialist

WELCOME ESTEPHANIE GUZMAN TO



Hello Everyone!

My name is Estephanie Guzman and I'm excited to join the Infant & Early Childhood Mental Health Specialist role and serve in the Developmental Disabilities and Early Childhood Supports Division (DDECS) in partnership with Best Starts for Kids. I have worked at WestEd as a Program Coordinator and supported Infant and Early Childhood Mental and Workforce Development workshops for almost 3 years. I supported our virtual and in-person workshops and worked closely with interpreters and providing equitable resource for our participants. I also worked on Reflective Consultation in transferring data and other tasks. I really enjoy our Best Starts workshops and the support I see in our community, and I'm super grateful to be joining the team!

Outside of work, I enjoy camping, going fishing in the summer, and going on hikes. One of my favorite hikes is at Mount Rainier. I love spending time with my family and friends and traveling with them.

Debi Donelan- Early Support for Infants and Toddlers (ESIT) Workforce Lead

CONGRATULATIONS Debi Donelan!!



Please join us in congratulating Debi Donelan on her new role as the **Early Support for Infants and Toddlers (ESIT) Workforce Lead**. In this role Debi will be implementing our ESIT Career Pathways Scholarship program, supporting ESIT communities of practice, and building responsive learning opportunities for our ESIT provider needs!

From Debi:

I've been part of the Developmental Disabilities and Early Childhood Supports Division since June 2018, co-leading the ESIT strategy. I'm excited to be able to continue working with the folks I have built relationships with, while focusing my work on supporting the ESIT provider workforce. I am deeply passionate about racial equity and disability justice, and look forward to helping expand the ESIT provider community to reflect the children and families we serve. I enjoy spending as much time as possible outdoors - walking, hiking, camping, national parks, and contemplative nature photography. Other interests are reading, independent films, and music.

Shanelle Dodson-Dance- Best Starts for Kids Workforce Development Lead

CONGRATULATIONS Shanelle Dodson-Dance!!

Please join us in congratulating Shanelle on her new role as **Workforce Development Lead**. This role is responsible for planning and implementing the Workforce Development strategy within Best Starts for Kids.



From Shanelle:

I grew up in the Skyway area of Seattle and completed my undergrad degree at Clark Atlanta University in Atlanta, GA. After completing my degree, I moved back to Seattle to be closer to my family and began my career journey. My career path has led me through various roles of supporting children, families, and providers in our community. My most recent role was supporting providers who work with children birth to three with developmental delays and disabilities. I am looking forward to continuing and expanding this work in my new role!

Outside of work, I am a Mother to two daughters (ages 9 and 3) and a BONUS Mom to a 20 year old son. I love to dance, play board/card games (I love escape rooms), travel, and mom-ing!

Ramika Toms- Operations & Contract Coordinator

WELCOME RAMIKA TOMS TO A NEW ROLE IN



Hello DCHS and BSK staff:

I am excited to announce that Ramika Toms is joining DDECSD as an Operations & Contracts Coordinator! Ramika will support contracts for our Community, Information, Outreach and Referral (CIOR) Team and several Best Starts for Kids strategies. As well as co-lead the DDECSD Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging (EIB) Change Team.

A little something about Ramika:

I am dedicated to racial equity and social justice because there is no better feeling than supporting the liberation of a community of people who have systemically been marginalized...plus I love a challenge. I have close to 10 years of working with Community Based Organizations in King County and ensuring the contracts meets the communities needs and are just and efficient. I am passionate about interrupting business as usual because I am a rebel at heart, sharing power because I love working with community vs on behalf of community, replacing broken processes and systems to create accessible/user friendly ones and being uncomfortable has been a part of who I am...I grew up with 4 brothers as a child, I am built for anything! There is something special on the other side of being uncomfortable. I am here because my life's legacy is giving back to the community that raised me.

I was born and raised in Seattle, family roots in the Central District. Outside of my career I enjoy hiking because the views in our state are unmatched, restaurant tours with my besties because I LOVE exploring food (if there's restaurant you want to try, I've probably been there), mentoring and coaching women/young girls with their well-being/self-care because I am a self-care and wellness advocate and traveling to beaches because there is something powerful about the water that really grounds me.

Please join me in welcoming Ramika to DDECSD!



Scott Brown- Operations & Contract Coordinator

WELCOME SCOTT BROWN TO DDECSD &



Hello DCHS staff:



I am excited to announce that Scott Brown is joining the Developmental Disabilities and Early Childhood Supports Division as an Operations & Contracts Coordinator! Scott will support contracts for Adult Employment, Community Inclusion, and School-to-Work services for individuals with developmental disabilities. He will also serve as our division's HIPAA privacy officer.

A little something about Scott:

Hello! My name is Scott (or Scotty!) Brown and I am the new Operations and Contracts Coordinator with DDECSD. I am both professionally and personally connected to the Intellectual and Developmental Disability community. For my entire career I have been committed to supporting and leading programs that enhance the lives of both children and adults with disabilities. I am also a sibling to my sister Emily, who lives with multiple intellectual and developmental disabilities, herself.

I enjoy taking road trips, shooting film photography, and going out to live music shows. I have a dedicated daily yoga practice and I love to spend time with my friends and family.

I am excited to be a part of DCHS and look forward to connecting with you all very soon!

Please join me in welcoming Scott to DCHS and DDECSD!

TJ Protho- Adult Services Employment and Community Inclusion Co-Lead

Congratulations TJ Protho on your new role with



Please join us in congratulating TJ Protho on his new role as **Employment and Community Inclusion Co-Lead**. In this role, TJ will be co-leading Employment and Community Inclusion Programs for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities in King County.

From TJ:

Originally from Colorado, I moved the Pacific Northwest in 2014 with just my belongings packed in my car. Who would have thought I would still be here ten years later? Before joining King County, I worked for an employment agency for a number of years in various roles advocating for individuals with disabilities in the field of employment. I found joy and passion working with this population and seeing their personal and professional growth before my eyes! In 2022, I joined the School-to-Work team, where I was able to continue helping students access employment services before exiting school. Outside of work, you will spot me around Renton getting my iced coffee at Boon Boona Coffee, working out at the local gym, or checking out the beach parks in the summer. I also try to travel at least once a month, and/or attend concerts at Safeco Field as often as possible. I am looking forward to bringing my years of experience and passion for supporting individuals with I/DD to the Employment and Community Inclusion PPM III role on the Adult Services Team.

Seeking input

Please reach out if you have input/ feedback!

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Board Bylaw Revisions

Board Bylaw Revisions - Elections

The current Board Bylaws state that Board elections for Chair and Vice-Chairperson shall occur annually during the first quarter of the year. Since the first quarter of the year has already passed without elections taking place, It has been recommended that the current bylaws on elections be revised to read:

A. Elections and Terms of Office

The terms of office shall be for one year elected annually ~~during the first quarter of the year~~ at a regular meeting of the King County Board for Developmental Disabilities.

Board Bylaw Revisions – Committees

The current Board Bylaws state, under the C. Duties, 2. that the Chairperson shall appoint committee Chairpersons and members with the Board's consent annually during the second quarter of the year at a regular meeting of the King County Board for Developmental Disabilities. With many new members recently joining the Board, it has been suggested that the Board would benefit from giving new members time to learn about the Board's Committee's before the Chair appoints members to committee's. It has been recommended that the Bylaw be revised to read:

2. The Chairperson shall appoint committee Chairpersons and members with the Board's consent annually ~~during the second quarter of the year~~ at a regular meeting of the King County Board for Developmental Disabilities.

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