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## **Council on Physical Disabilities (CPD) Employment and Health Committee Teleconference Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, July 11, 2023**

**1:00 P.M. to 2:00 PM**

### **Employment and Health Committee Action Items and Motion Items**

#### **A. Employment and Health Committee Action Items**

- 1. Action Item:** At the upcoming Full Council meeting, the Committee will request a representative to attend the EVV stakeholder meetings and bring back information and updates to the Committee and full Council.
- 2. Action Item:** DHS support staff will send out the updated CPD Employment and Health Committee Dashboard Document for tracking process on strategies and deliverables.
- 3. Action Item:** Employment and Health Committee members will monitor strategies and deliverables in the Employment and Health section of the 2022-2024 CPD Work Plan and leads will report back on progress at the next CPD Employment and Health Committee Meeting scheduled for July 2023.

#### **B. Action Item: Employment and Health Committee Motion Items**

- 1. Motion Item:** Charles Vandenplas made a motion to approve the July 11, 2023, Employment and Health Committee meeting agenda. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 2. Motion Item:** Ramsey Lee made the motion to approve the May 9, 2023, Employment and Health Committee Meeting Minutes. Charles Vandenplas seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Motion Item:** Charles Vandenplas made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried.



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## C. Employment and Health Committee Meeting Minutes

### I. Welcome and Introductions: Roberto Escamilla II, Chairperson

**Employment and Health Committee members present:** Roberto Escamilla II; Charles Vandenplas; Ramsey Lee; and Ben Barrett.

**Employment and Health Committee members absent (Excused\*):** Dr. Elizabeth Watson; \*Jeff Fox and \*Jackie Gordon.

**Guest(s):** Not applicable.

**DHS staff support present:** Ashley Walker, Department of Health Services (DHS), Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources (BADR); Angela Brenna, DHS, BADR; and Lisa Sobczyk, DHS, BADR.

**Roberto Escamilla II, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 1:01 P.M.**

The meeting was available via phone at 1-844-708-2569 and Meeting ID: 160 707 6124 and via [Zoom](#).

### II. Review and Approve July 11, 2023, Employment and Health Committee Meeting Agenda

- Charles Vandenplas made a motion to approve the July 11, 2023, Employment and Health Committee meeting agenda. Ben Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 1.

### III. Review and Approve May 9, 2023, Employment and Health Committee Meeting Minutes

- Ramsey Lee made the motion to approve the May 9, 2023, Employment and Health Committee Meeting Minutes. Charles Vandenplas seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 2.

### IV. Public Comment on the State Plan for People with Physical Disabilities 2022-2024, or Issues Affecting People with Physical Disabilities

- No public comment was received.



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## V. Review and Discuss Employment and Health Section of the CPD 2022-2024 Work Plan

- The Employment and Health Committee discussed the Employment and Health section of the CPD 2022-2024 Work Plan, Strategies and Deliverables.
- Discussed statistics of which states hire the most workers with disabilities. The number one state being North Dakota and the state that is last on the list is West Virginia. Wisconsin is in the middle.
  - **Review Employment and Health Committee Dashboard**
    - The Committee discussed Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) and the importance of staying in the loop on any issues or barriers that arise from caregivers and individuals with disabilities.
      - EVV stakeholder meetings are still happening, and it would be good if CPD resumed representation on this committee.
      - At the upcoming Full Council meeting, the Committee will request a representative to attend the EVV stakeholder meetings and bring back information and updates to the Committee and full Council. Action Item 1.
    - Ramsey Lee shared an article on education and university funding cuts that could affect minorities and people with disabilities. DHS support staff passed on the article to Committee members to review.
      - A need for education and awareness around diversity and disability should be included in these conversation and policy initiatives.
    - The Committee discussed Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Accounts and the importance of supporting initiatives that promote integration and Wisconsin offering ABLE Accounts.
    - Discussed obtaining a DVR employment update at the full Council meeting from the DVR Liaison.



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## VI. Adjourn

- Charles Vandenplas made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ramsey Lee seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Motion Item 3.

**The meeting adjourned at 1:58 P.M.**