



**Governor's Committee  
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Disabilities**

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### **Open Meeting Notice**

### **GCPD Teleconference Executive Committee Meeting**

**Wednesday, May 21, 2025**

**2:05 PM – 3:30 PM**

**Join Meeting Via [Zoom](#):**

<https://dhs.wi.zoomgov.com/j/16117861716>

**Join by Phone:**

Phone: (669) 254-5252

Meeting ID: 16117861716

### **DRAFT AGENDA**

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the May 21, 2025, GCPD Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes from March 19, 2025, Meeting
4. Review Action Items from Previous Meeting
  - Dan Laatsch will draft a letter to the Governor and Lt. Governor in support of shifting Medicaid funding from State Institutions to Community-Based Services
  - Dan Laatsch will contact Nancy Leipzig regarding the Employment Workgroup schedule and work items
  - DHS Staff will invite Pam Bettinger (member of public who submitted comment by email) to the GCPD Quarterly Meeting on April 23, 2025



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- DHS Staff Support will add an agenda item to the full GCPD Quarterly Meeting to discuss amending the GCPD Workplan
- DHS Support Staff send out an invitation for GCPD Members to attend a Policy Workgroup Meeting on March 28, 2025



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5. Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities (2:15-2:35 PM)
6. Discuss Quarterly Meeting and Updates to GCPD Workplan
7. Discuss Federal and State Legislative Updates and WI Budget Items
8. Updates from the GCPD Committees and Workgroups
  - Transportation
  - Opportunities and Access
  - Employment
  - Awards
  - United Councils
9. Updates on the Unified Voices: Engage for Change Summit
10. Review Action Items
11. Draft Next Agenda
12. Adjourn

**The purpose of this meeting is to conduct the governmental business outlined in the agenda.**

**In 1948, a Governor's Committee was established with one goal:** To improve employment opportunities for people with disabilities. The group's mission was broadened in 1976 to cover many aspects of disability in Wisconsin and became the Governor's Committee for People with Disabilities (GCPD). Unlike other disability councils in state government, the focus of the Governor's Committee includes all disabilities and six of its members represent specific disability constituencies: alcohol and



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other drug abuse; blindness and visual impairment; deaf and hard of hearing; developmental disabilities; mental health; and physical disabilities.

**GCPD is charged with the following duties:** Advise the Governor and state agencies on problems faced by people with disabilities. Review legislation affecting people with disabilities. Promote effective operation of publicly administered or supported programs serving people with disabilities. Promote the collection, dissemination, and incorporation of adequate information about people with disabilities for purposes of public planning at all levels of government. Promote public awareness of the needs and abilities of people with disabilities. Encourage the effective involvement of people with disabilities in government.

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