



State of Wisconsin

Governor's Committee for People with Disabilities

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OPEN MEETING NOTICE

Governor's Committee for People with Disabilities (GCPD) Teleconference Quarterly Meeting

Wednesday, August 16, 2023
9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

Meeting is available via [Zoom](https://dhs.wisconsin.gov/gcpd):
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And via phone:
Phone Number: (669) 254-5252
Meeting ID: 160 667 0038

DRAFT AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Welcome New GCPD Member
3. Review and Approve August 16, 2023, Quarterly Meeting Agenda
4. Review and Approval May 17, 2023, Quarterly Meeting Minutes
5. Public Comment on Issues Affecting People with Disabilities (9:15 A.M. – 9:25 A.M.)
6. GCPD 75th Anniversary
 - Press Release
 - Falconer Award
7. Unified Voices: Engage for Change, In-person Summit
 - October 3-5, 2023
8. Discuss GCPD Work Plan and Policy Initiatives
9. Break
10. GCPD Special Election
 - Executive Committee, Member-at-Large

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11. Discuss 2023 Winter Election

- Chair
- Executive Committee, Member-at-Large

12. Updates from Chairs of GCPD Sub-Committees, Workgroups and Outreach

- Transportation Workgroup, Rhonda Staats
- Opportunities and Access Sub-Committee, Dr. Katherine Schneider
 - Feedback and Future Planning on Concordia University Collaborative Educational Opportunity, David Morstad
- Employment Workgroup, Nancy Leipzig
- Update From a Home for Everyone Conference
 - Ben Barrett and Ramsey Lee

13. Break

14. Liaison Updates

- Sarah Kuehn, Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development
- Colleen Larson, Wisconsin Technical College System
- Eva Kubinski, Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction

15. Council Updates

- Ben Barrett, Wisconsin Council on Physical Disabilities
- Rhonda Staats, Statutory Council on Blindness
- Stacy Stone, Statutory Council on Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse



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16. Discuss GCPD Membership and Attendance

17. Adjourn

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

The GCPD is administratively attached to the Department of Health Services. If you need an interpreter, alternate formats, or other accommodations to participate, please contact [Ashley Walker](mailto:ashley.walker@dhs.wisconsin.gov) at 608-266-5364 or ashley.walker@dhs.wisconsin.gov.

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