



**Commission on People with Disabilities
Wednesday, February 8, 2023
6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

**Patricia Gallalee, Chair
Karen Morgret, Vice-Chair**

Join Zoom Meeting

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- 6:00 Call to Order & Approval of January 2023 Meeting Minutes – Patricia Gallalee, Chair**
- 6:10 Inter-Acc/DD Request for Additional Supplement for Providers of Development Disability Services – Rick Callahan, Executive Director, Compassion Maryland and Patricia A. Ritter, Ph.D., Executive Director - The Treatment and Learning Centers**
- 6:30 Update on the Developmental Disability Advisory Committee (DDAC) and the Establishment of a Commission on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities – Beth Shuman, LCSW-C, Chief of Staff, Councilmember Gabe Albornoz; Ken Hartman-Espada, M.P.A., Director of Strategic Partnerships, Office of the County Executive, Montgomery County, Maryland; Eric Salzano and Karen Morgret, Co-Chairs, DDAC Committee; and Odile Brunetto, Chief, Aging & Disability Services**
- 6:45 Commissioner Introduction of Issues/Barriers to Establish A Workgroup**
This month, Richard Shermanski, Commissioner, will introduce issue of barriers accessing sign language and communication accommodations in the court system.
- At Commission meetings, Commissioners are not to discuss personal/family issues but more system barriers to inclusion.
 - Commissioner to describe the issue/barrier to inclusion.
 - Commissioner states the intended outcome and tentative timetable to achieve it.
 - Chair asks for a motion for the Commission to approve the workgroup.
If approved, Commissioner asks members who want to work on issue.
 - Workgroup to develop strategies to achieve intended outcome.
 - Report out at Commission progress until outcome is achieved. Workgroup concludes unless another outcome is established as approved by the Commission/Chair.
- 7:00 Chair and Vice-Chair Updates**
- 7:15 Ex-Officio Updates**
- 7:25 Community Speaks – Public invited to make comments, 2 minute limit, time permitting. For profit companies who want to speak should contact the Commission in advance. Public participants generally are not invited to speak during presentations and time is set aside at the end of the meeting to allow the public to speak. This policy will be strictly enforced moving forward.**
- 7:30 Adjourn**

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