

**Minutes of the OHCA ID/DD
Board of Directors Meeting
September 5 2025
2:00 p.m., Zoom**

Present: Joe Kowalski, Becky Sharp, Jo Spargo, Chelsea Pozderac, Sherry Rinck, Gina Kerman and Tim Dotson; Debbie Jenkins - staff.

Ms. Jenkins started of the meeting sharing Diane Dietz's apologies for not being able to attend and a discussion of the current status of OHCA.

The discussion then shifted to planning for the upcoming DD Budget Coalition in person meeting which will focus on system priorities. The board provided the following input for OHCA to share during the meeting:

1. Simplification as overarching goal of all efforts
2. Financial Sustainability
 - a. County Board Property Taxes
 - b. Administrative Expenses
 - i. County Boards vs. Regionals in other states
 - ii. Agency volume/duplication
 - c. How to support cost efficient settings
 - i. 1-on-1 viability
 - ii. Setting sizes – more choice options including larger or even AL like environments
3. Access
 - a. Choice – variety of options, need to look at where our system is limiting options
 - b. State-wideness – availability and accessibility of supports depends on where you live
4. Quality
 - a. Person-centered: What person wants vs. Philosophy about what people should get
5. Right-sized Regulatory Environment
 - a. ICF Regulations – federal
 - b. Waiver – compliance process & requirements that are not always person-centered

Ms. Rinck asked about ICF surveys and how many were behind. Several board members who provide ICF services are also behind on survey.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.