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## Task Force for Assessment of Services & Supports for People with Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities to hold first meeting

INDIANAPOLIS—The first meeting of the Task Force for Assessment of Services & Supports for People with Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities will be held Monday, Nov. 20, at Bosma Enterprises, 6270 Corporate Drive in Indianapolis. This will be the first of several meetings of the task force.

The task force was established by House Enrolled Act 1102 in the 2017 session of the Indiana General Assembly and will be chaired by Lieutenant Governor Suzanne Crouch. The task force members were named by Governor Eric J. Holcomb in October, and will prepare a complete plan for implementation of community-based services provided to people with intellectual and other developmental disabilities.

These members include:

- Judge Mary Beth Bonaventura, director of the Indiana Department of Child Services.
- Jonathan Burlison, CEO of Bridges of Indiana.
- Steve Cook, president and CEO of INARF.
- Christine Dahlberg, director of the Governor's Council for People with Disabilities.
- Kim Dodson, executive director of the Arc of Indiana.
- Trent Fox, chief of staff at the Indiana State Department of Health.
- Kylee Hope, director of the Division of Disability & Rehabilitation Services with the Indiana Family & Social Services Administration.
- Joseph Langerak, attorney with Jackson Kelly PLLC.
- Kathleen McAllen, senior consultant with G2 Group.
- Jason Meyer, president and CEO of Passages, Inc.
- Kim Milas, member of Self-Advocates of Indiana and officer of Aktion Club of Greater Boone County and the Self-Advocates of Greater Boone County.
- Kevin Moore, director of the Division of Mental Health & Addiction with FSSA.
- Debbie Pierson, deputy director of the Division of Aging with FSSA.
- Julie Reynolds, director of strategic initiatives with the Division of Disability & Rehabilitation Services with FSSA.
- Allison Taylor, Indiana Medicaid Director.
- Betty Williams, consumer education and training coordinator for the Arc of Indiana.
- Dr. Pam Wright, director of special education with the Indiana Department of Education.

The link to the livestream is <u>https://Indiana.AdobeConnect.com/taskforce1102/</u>.

Dates, times and location for each meeting of the task force are as follows:

Monday, Nov. 20, 2017	11:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m. ET	Bosma Enterprises, Indianapolis
Tuesday, Dec. 19, 2017	11 a.m.—3 p.m. ET	Bloomington
Friday, Feb. 23, 2018	10 a.m.—2 p.m. CT	Boonville
Wednesday, April 18, 2017	11 a.m.—3 p.m. ET	Lafayette
Wednesday, June 27, 2018	10 a.m.—2 p.m. CT	Valparaiso
Wednesday, Aug. 22, 2018	11 a.m.—3 p.m. ET	New Albany
Wednesday, Oct. 17, 2018	11 a.m.—3 p.m. ET	Columbia City

All meetings are open to the public and will be streamed live. Public comment will occur prior to the start of each meeting to provide input regarding services and supports for people with disabilities. Requests for accommodations for meetings of the task force should be made by contacting Kristina Blankenship at Kristina.Blankenship@fssa.in.gov at least 48 hours in advance of the task force meeting.

For more information, visit: <u>www.in.gov/fssa/ddrs/5455.htm</u>.

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