



FY 2017 Individual and Family Support Program

State and Regional Council Membership

The Department of Behavioral Health and Development Services is committed to creating an individual and family support program for individuals with developmental disabilities whom the Commonwealth determines to be most at risk of institutionalization. Individual and family supports are defined as a comprehensive and coordinated set of strategies that are designed to ensure that families who are assisting a members with a developmental disability (DD) or individuals with a developmental disability who live independently have access to person-centered and family-centered resources, supports, services and other assistance.

In order to accomplish this goal, DBHDS created the Individuals and Family Support Program (IFP) State Council and Regional Councils to get the perspective of individuals and families as the Department formally adopts a state plan to comprehensively address the needs of individuals currently awaiting a Developmental Disability Waiver. The council consists of family members and community members. The council is tasked with shaping the future direction of the Individual and Family Support Program, both on a local and statewide level.

Council members represent each of the five DBHDS service regions and are volunteers. State Council terms are for one year and regional council terms last for two years. All members are appointed by the Commissioner. Below is a list of State and Regional Council Members for the September 30, 2016 to September 30, 2017 term.

FY 2017 IFSP State and Regional Council Membership Roster

Western Region (formerly Region 1)

State Council

- Allene Pack

Regional Council

- Mary Jo Matthews

Northern Region (formerly Region 2)

State Council

- Kathy Adams
- Geoff Federmeier
- Debra Fults
- Mari Jacobs
- Jennifer Reese

Regional Council

- Lauren-Nicole Jinier
- Nancy Taylor

South Western (Formerly Region 3)

State Council

- Deborah Green
- Juanita Williams
- Susan Young

Regional Member

- Rebecca Sellers
- Deneen Adams

Eastern (formerly Region 5)

State Council

- Barry Creed
- Joy Spencer
- Larisa Turkatte

Regional Member

- India Hope
- Douglas Newsome
- Twila Washington

Central (formerly Region 4)

State Council Members

- Mary Brown-Brooks
- Fred Esposito
- Flip Grey

Regional Members

- Gail Dickens
- Tynisa Giles
- Jackie Hampton
- Dana Yarbrough

***For additional information about IFSP Program and the IFSP State and Regional Councils,
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