

Report to 1102 Task Force

September 2023

1102 Sub-Committee Recommendations for Task Force Priorities

The 1102 Sub-Committee tasked with identifying priority areas met on 7/19/23 and 8/23/2023. The members:

- Reviewed and discussed the status of current recommendations;
 - Refer to supporting document: 1102 Recommendations-Updated 2023 07
- Identified current recommendations that should be considered for continuation;
- Identified new priorities, as aligned with current goal areas, for consideration; and
- Achieved consensus on 5 priority areas for recommendation to 1102 Task Force

The sub-committee reviewed the 1102 Task Force Identified Goal Areas as context for the process:

Goal 1: Prioritize community settings and individualized approaches.

Goal #2: Advance and maximize community and state resources and programs to be inclusive to all Hoosiers.

Goal #3: Respond to individual and family needs.

Goal #4: Include a wide array of supports and services that are sustainable, equitable, and available across all communities.

Upon reviewing the status of 1102 Recommendations as reported by DDRS, the sub-committee came to consensus that the following recommendations are not completed or in a status of substantial progress:

1.2 An appropriation, to be known as the 1102 IDD Task Force Community Living Expansion Initiative, to fund Medicaid HCBS waiver slots for non-emergency priority placement using criteria developed by the Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services to allow some level of expansion of individuals seeking to live in the community, away from their family, while creating the opportunity for families to support individuals in making this transition to living away from their family.

2.3 People with IDD, or their interests, are included in the state's initiatives related to the development and use of driverless vehicle technology in Indiana, to ensure it advances freedom and connectivity to community for people with disabilities.

(The sub-committee recommends removal given status of driverless vehicle technology)

2.4 Developing transportation strategies promoting independence and employment through collaborative efforts of key stakeholders and public-private partnerships across rural and urban areas. This may include addressing multijurisdictional issues; encouraging more funding for public transportation models; working with state and local transportation boards to ensure representation of individuals with disabilities; improving existing infrastructure to be fully accessible; facilitating the use of private ride sharing systems; and encouraging the development of innovative options such as driverless vehicles.

4.8 Appropriations for DDRS and other state agencies sufficient to develop, plan, and implement Task Force recommendations in keeping with timelines specified in this report or, in the absence of a specified timeline, at the earliest date possible. This is an ongoing need, and will not be included in identified priorities.

3.5 The establishment of a statewide IDD crisis response program utilizing all available federal funding (i.e., Medicaid HCBS waiver, etc.) and, as needed/required, state funding with the following crisis best practice components:

1. 24 hour telephone Response/Hotline;
2. In-Home Service;
3. Temporary Out-of-Home Placement resources for stabilization purposes;
4. Telemedicine capacity and coverage;
5. Reduction of risk/stabilization;
6. Prevention strategy to anticipate/eliminate re-occurrence;
7. Program staff /personnel and contractors should include:
 - Psychiatrist
 - Behavior Clinicians or BCBAs
 - Psychologist
 - Direct Support Professionals for temporary staff support
 - Registered Nurse consultation

The sub-committee recommends the following priority areas for consideration by the full Task Force:

| Priority Ranking | Goal Area | Recommendation | Why/Notes/Discussion |
|------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|
| 1 | 1.1, 1.3, 1.4, 1.9, 2.5, 3.2, 3.3, 3.7, 3.9 | Waiver Redesign/Reset (iiiiii) | Top priority; New recommendation—merger of existing recommendations related to redesign/reset |
| 2 | 1.5,1.6,1.7, 2.6,4.3,4.4 | Employment (iiiiii) | Some combination of the current recommendations |
| 3 | 2.4 | Transportation (iiiiii) | New recommendation rather than continuation of current? |
| 4 | NEW | Health & Wellness (ii) | |
| 4 | 3.5 | Statewide Crisis Response (ii) | Mental health crisis/Dual Diagnosis/Complex Needs |

NOTES: Original recommendation do not “disappear”. Priority recommendations are meant to give focus to the Task Force.

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