

# Warren County Task Force

Wednesday, August 13, 2023

8:30–9:30 a.m.

## Minutes



### 1. Welcome and Introductions

Lauren Vondrell, Heather Moore, Natasha Brienne, Patti Ahting

### 2. Spotlight

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### 3. Around the Region: Program Updates

- RAAC
  - RAAC Update
- Autism Connections
  - ASGC Event Calendar: <https://www.autismcincy.org/events/>
- ABS Transitions – now Transitions Behavioral Health
  - Caregivers and mental wellness
  - Looking for another community manager – ideally ESL Spanish
- Patti – contract with Best Point
  - Embedded mental health worker at Head Start
- Heather – Family Fund Day last weekend – very successful
  - DSP appreciation dinner
  - Community life skills class & job class – begins next week
    - Partner with school districts
    - Job and social skills training and practice
    - Safety skills
    - Sept–May on Thursdays ~ 2-hour classes
      - 2 classes – every other week
    - Ages: 14–22
    - All Warren County Schools are eligible

### 4. Policy Updates

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### 5. Training & Events

Electronic pdfs can be found at: <https://tinyurl.com/RAACflyers>

- [Children's Theatre 2023-2024 Season](#)
  - The SpongeBob Musical – October 14–23, 2023
  - Narnia the Musical – December 9–18, 2023

The Regional Autism Advisory Council of Southwest Ohio connects organizations, individuals, and family members to enhance the autism community by collaborating and sharing knowledge.

- Cinderella – February 17–26, 2024
- Finding Nemo Jr. – April 20–29, 2024
- [Cincinnati Art Museum](#)
  - Sensory Saturdays
- [iFly](#)
  - All Abilities Night
- [Ohio P2P Parent Support](#)
  - Are you interested in providing support to other families who have a loved one with a disability or special healthcare need? Please join us as we build this network. Find the flyer with more information on becoming a support parent here. Email questions or application to [marion.cosgroverauch@cchmc.org](mailto:marion.cosgroverauch@cchmc.org)
- [Ohio Special Education Response Team \(OSERT\)](#)
  - meeting 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of every month from 12:00–1:00 p.m.
- DDBP Outreach Calendar
- Other

## 6. **Task Force Focus/Goals**

- Mental Health Concerns
  - More mental health issues in families where parents are using/abusing substances
  - Younger transition age growing numbers with concerns
  - More behavioral issues; more trauma-based
  - Concerns that systems are unprepared for these mental health issues
  - Alcohol use has increased since 2020
  - Deaths because of alcohol related liver disease is higher
  - Women of child bearing years more alcohol use – lead to fetal alcohol syndrome
  - Parent exhaustion and lack of involvement
  - WINGS had openings
  - Workforce issues also impacts ability to support
  - Not much of a wait for assessment
  - MRSS – fills gap for short

## 7. **Next Task Force Meeting**

- Wednesday, October 11, 2023 @ 8:30 a.m.
- Zoom info

- <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/96138272771?pwd=QWlGNnNoQXN6OHp3RDZUNlFQZWk2Zz09>
- Meeting ID: 961 3827 2771
- Passcode: WarrenRAAC