

# Adult Task Force

Tuesday, September 26, 2023

10:00–11:00 a.m.

## Minutes



- **Welcome and Introductions**

Patti Schrom, Brittany Conner, Lynn Godwin, Sarah Cadle, Cindy Aardema, Angela Dean, Jennifer Brown, Nathan Beck, Cindy Molloy

- **Spotlight Ideas**

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- **Around the Region: Program Updates**

- RAAC

- RAAC Update

- Autism Connections

- ASGC Event Calendar: <https://www.autismcincy.org/events/>

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- SALT – Patti

- September was Transition – DD Services, IEPs, ISPs, Project Life, Project Search

- Tonight OCECD + Wright State + OOD talking about IEP for transition

- Post-secondary planning & what happens when plans don't work out

- October + January = independent living

- Best Point

- Budget Bootcamp – October 6 & 13, 8-12:30

- Looking for adult volunteers to support students

- “real life” game of Life

- Contact Lynn for more info

- Volunteer at our Budget Bootcamp Event on Oct 6th and/or 13th!

Click on the link here to sign up or copy/paste to share!

<https://forms.office.com/r/sx7Dy1xxjA>

- DODD – check out Memo Monday: <https://dodd.ohio.gov/your-family/all-family-resources/Subscribe>

- <https://dodd.ohio.gov/about-us/grant-opportunities/grant-opportunities>

- Innovating Inclusive Supports grant

- Grow capacity for highest support needs

The Regional Autism Advisory Council Adult Task Force of Southwest of Ohio is committed to enhancing the resources, advocacy, education, and access to transition services for families with adults 18+ through networking, sharing updates, services, and training opportunities across the region.

- Info session 10/10; app due 11/10
  - Regional tech hubs
    - Technology ie. smart homes, lending libraries
    - Deadline 10/30
  - Innovating Tech Solutions
    - Deadline 10/13
  - Adult Day Providers Pilot Project
    - [https://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001uPz3wnkODKQyTg26uO3tASOzFhqno-Kkj8182-qu\\_SV2LpZuDcmuVmylIYotRmMLujvYAzNjD-dorBlwCoqe52AsqKMVp7JHJOxt3BdwiYGvb-ojCEsm9jajJ8fbqMS1W7y4MrYBy8DQpWPmJ0BS72\\_aC73EhBaMf\\_zgt281w5x99TUFClmmC7\\_DrZa4mK5y&c=LoX21OfGd1Lu95lbopFoq817ODAXoXOemysguaW2UbUTNR7rv9JQmg=&ch=OKYksoPtbQF\\_IrqISlWuWnnqat9biK5wEDToIBCAM7p4XUk1dntw==](https://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001uPz3wnkODKQyTg26uO3tASOzFhqno-Kkj8182-qu_SV2LpZuDcmuVmylIYotRmMLujvYAzNjD-dorBlwCoqe52AsqKMVp7JHJOxt3BdwiYGvb-ojCEsm9jajJ8fbqMS1W7y4MrYBy8DQpWPmJ0BS72_aC73EhBaMf_zgt281w5x99TUFClmmC7_DrZa4mK5y&c=LoX21OfGd1Lu95lbopFoq817ODAXoXOemysguaW2UbUTNR7rv9JQmg=&ch=OKYksoPtbQF_IrqISlWuWnnqat9biK5wEDToIBCAM7p4XUk1dntw==)
- Policy to Practice Forum – coming in the fall – October 11 all day
  - 9:30–noon + afternoon World Cafe
  - Maximize Supports to Expand Inclusion
    - funding opps to support those most significantly by disability
    - morning panel + afternoon world cafe roundtables
    - October 11
    - In–Person at Montgomery Co Business Center Solutions in Dayton
    - registration link: <http://c.planetReg.com/P2Pforum2023>
  - Growing capacity in services for those with the most significant behavior, sensory needs
    - Boundless
    - Transitions Behavioral Health
  - Includes:
    - DODD
    - OH Medicaid
    - Hope to have presence from county boards
      - Targeting SWOH
- **Policy Updates**
  - Community respite received increase in reimbursement rates in new governor’s budget: <https://dodd.ohio.gov/about-us/Budget/Budget>
    - Hope for improved staff retention

- Most rates HPC, employment supports, etc had substantial increases – around 30% – in Jan 2024 and 38% in July 2024
- Shared living changes – parents will continue be able to be paid caregivers
- Bill HR 5408 – increase asset limit for individual and married couples
  - The Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program provides critical support for millions of people with disabilities to help afford the basics of everyday life, like food and rent.

But SSI has many rules that make it hard for people to save money and get out of poverty. SSI has an asset limit that has not been updated since 1989! Assets include cash, money in bank accounts, most retirement accounts, and other financial resources. Right now, people who get SSI can only have \$2,000 in assets. Married couples can only have \$3,000.

On Tuesday, September 12, the SSI Savings Penalty Elimination Act (S.2767/ H.R. 5408) was introduced by Senators Sherrod Brown (D-OH) and Bill Cassidy (R-LA) and Representatives Brian Higgins (D-NY) and Brian Fitzpatrick (R-PA). This bill makes long-overdue reforms to the SSI program that would empower millions of people with disabilities to earn and save more money for their futures.

- [https://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001erEMhj-m8oHSWzK99tg3JemiCYJct7lstYjDQsaQnN7iLciszN5X0qx5RovG0I-n-vuBJwuWA\\_hBseEKiEpmWIA9qwrDdTHSC5ScKBq9TyVxjjwi6vKdNaS9NIRRMQ-20LHg\\_75y3mUVSjGUDbsW\\_Z0OIHLrvuklah0uRbEqABqh08PSOyzTyxANUpahGphxsPM7LSIhr8L0EXbDq-qlAgQtu9PKpSqbrhphOz5mpRcHv8s588jrYhgjbLySbzji-HaJSAzOgIAULiVrrQ3umDSYiMGNmRDKKPooADEqacxdh4VfdpKOgoYRlf0uneZkHbLgm82qULJ-HidN0c3ag==&c=WcRiTbmS2axGTYPJu7sQBno9cTgXjWxtjpc6gcNmRLEhc0jpH6wylA==&ch=3W63UIURTGyEdtn6Y7TwpYvseZ\\_CzUldxB7zeZxWqAswNo\\_geibheQ==](https://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001erEMhj-m8oHSWzK99tg3JemiCYJct7lstYjDQsaQnN7iLciszN5X0qx5RovG0I-n-vuBJwuWA_hBseEKiEpmWIA9qwrDdTHSC5ScKBq9TyVxjjwi6vKdNaS9NIRRMQ-20LHg_75y3mUVSjGUDbsW_Z0OIHLrvuklah0uRbEqABqh08PSOyzTyxANUpahGphxsPM7LSIhr8L0EXbDq-qlAgQtu9PKpSqbrhphOz5mpRcHv8s588jrYhgjbLySbzji-HaJSAzOgIAULiVrrQ3umDSYiMGNmRDKKPooADEqacxdh4VfdpKOgoYRlf0uneZkHbLgm82qULJ-HidN0c3ag==&c=WcRiTbmS2axGTYPJu7sQBno9cTgXjWxtjpc6gcNmRLEhc0jpH6wylA==&ch=3W63UIURTGyEdtn6Y7TwpYvseZ_CzUldxB7zeZxWqAswNo_geibheQ==)

- 5-Year Works 4 Me Grant Program that OOD received
  - Moving from sub-minimum wage to competitive employment
  - Hamilton County – working on innovative ideas to
    - Around 100 people in Ham Co still in sub-minimum employment
- September 26 Project – National Council on Severe Autism
  - Grassroots effort to make Sept 26 nationally recognized as autism safety awareness day
  - September 26 project  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=320cRRP8b4U>
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- **Training & Events**

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

- [Cincinnati Art Museum](#)
  - Sensory Saturdays
  - Free program – 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday 1-2:30 tour and craft activity
    - For adults and caregivers
- [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.
- SALT Series and Resources
  - SALT Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/SALTSouthwestOH>
  - SALT Livebinder: <https://bit.ly/SALTSWOH>
  - SALT Google Drive: <https://bit.ly/SALTTALKSGOOGLE>
  - SALT Podcast: <https://sالتtalkspodcast.buzzsprout.com/>
  - SALT YouTube Channel:  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0IRMRO59X4ISEQ7aiR3KrQ>
- DDBP Outreach Calendar
  - Clermont Co – Halloween event

- Drive -thru – October 19
- Warren Co
  - Truck or Treat – more info coming!
    1. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080B4EABAF2CA7FF2-8thannual?fbclid=IwAR3KIBHOJ8Ca2aZxwyBXZznzOl8mWG6JkuWRsv4Ihc9YacKuB2IFNftUMaM#/>
  - We just had Project Life & Search Present on 9/19. Here is the link to our google drive. In there you will find flyers for upcoming WC Open House & BC Open houses. BC is located at the end of their PowerPoint.  
[https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1ZU4fBjGHvTGYI6PiqmssNL6W4jWdtR0P?usp=drive\\_link](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1ZU4fBjGHvTGYI6PiqmssNL6W4jWdtR0P?usp=drive_link)
  - 5/3 Xavier & CCHMC

- **Task Force Focus/Goals**

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- **Next Task Force Meeting**

- October 24 @ 10 a.m.
- Zoom info
  - <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/95495278757?pwd=NEZvdVpRVdVGZWWh6RlFCeG9QVk9WUT09>
  - Meeting ID: 954 9527 8757
  - Passcode: RAAC