Department of Health



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GCDSE 2025 Winter Council Meeting

350 Main Street, Alaska Office Building, #115 Juneau, Alaska 99801

Day 1: Tuesday, February 11 | 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM

To Join the Day 1 - Zoom Webinar

https://us02web.zoom.us/s/89202232162

Webinar ID: 832 3826 1925

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9:00 – 10:00 AM Call to Order, Business and Announcements

- Call to Order & Mindfulness Moment (Jena Crafton)
- Roll Call and ZOOM Reminders (Patrick Reinhart)
- Announcements & Introductions
- Approval of October 9-10 Council Meeting Minutes
- Approval of the GCDSE 2025 Winter Meeting Agenda
- Conflict of Interest Declarations
- Council Chair Report (Jena Crafton)
- Executive Director Report (Patrick Reinhart)

10:00 – 10:30 AM Standing Committee Reports

- Community Inclusion Support Services (Corey Gilmore)
- Self-Advocacy & Leadership (Garrett Dominick)

10:30 – 10: 45 AM Break

10:45 – 11:50 AM Other Committee Updates (approx. 15 minutes each)

- Interagency Coordinating Council (Sabrina Richmond)
- Special Education Advisory Panel (Shelly Vendetti-Vuckovich)
- Employment Committee (Anna Attla)
- Special Education Services Agency (Olivia Yancy)

12:00- 12:30 PM	Lunch Break (Lunch brought in)
12:30 – 2:45 PM	Legislative Visits Discussion and Training
2:45 – 3:00 PM	Break
3:00 – 4:00 PM	Presentation to House HSS Committee (Capitol 106)
5:30 – 7:00 PM	Social Function with Alaska Commission on Aging at Governor's House

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350 Main Street, Alaska Office Building, #115 Juneau, Alaska 99801 Day 2: Wednesday, February 12, 2025, | 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

To Join the Day 2 – Zoom Webinar

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8:30 – 8:45 AM Council Business

• Call to Order (Jena Crafton)

Roll Call and Introductions

8:45 – 10:00 AM Partner Reports and Discussion (approx. 25 mins each)

- Department of Health (Commissioner Hedberg)
- Department of Family and Community Services (Commissioner Koval)
- Department of Education and Early Development (Commissioner Bishop)

10:00 – 10:15 AM	Break	

10:15 – 11:15 AM State Plan Update and Development (Chelsea Burke)

11:15 – 11:30 AM DOH Contractor Guidehouse Presentation on HCBS Rate Review

11:30 – 11:50 PM Public Testimony: The Council is interested in hearing testimony about

any issues impacting Alaskan families and individuals with disabilities we are particularly interested in hearing testimony about HCBS Waiver rates.

To Join the Zoom Meeting for Public Testimony

https://us02web.zoom.us/s/89346781713

Meeting ID: 893 4678 1713

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Testimony will be limited to 3 minutes per testimonial.

1:00 – 5:00 PM Legislative Visits for Council Members

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Day 3: Wednesday, February 13, 2025

Hotel Check Out
11:00 AM deadline, store bags with staff or at the hotel.

9:00 – 5:00 PM Legislative Visits for Council Members

3:00 – 4:00 PM Senate HSS Presentation (Capitol Room 205)

8:46 PM Flight back to Anchorage

Most council members and staff will be flying out in the evening and GCDSE

staff will coordinate travel to the airport.