

Commission to Study the Division of Rehabilitation Services (DORS)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2022 | 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Maryland State Board of Education Board Room

AGENDA:

Opening Remarks - Ms. Marlo Lemon Commission Chair

Additional recommendations for Topic #9: Are there specific budgetary requests that could support the job training?

Additional recommendations for Topic #6: Should the Division of Rehabilitation Services eligibility criteria be changed?

Topic #2: Improving the relationship and communication between transitioning professionals working at the DORS and Developmental Disabilities Administration.

- Guiding question: How can the Developmental Disabilities Administration and the Division of Rehabilitation Services improve their working relationship?
- Presentations:
 - National Overview of the DDA and VR Program
 - John Butterworth, Director for Employment Systems Change and Evaluation, Institute for Community Inclusion, University of Massachusetts
 - Maryland Overview of DDA and DORS Partnership
 - Stephanie Jones, Director of Innovation, Developmental Disabilities Administration
 - Toni Cobb-Cannon, Staff Specialist, Community Rehabilitation Programs

Topic #5: Methods for improving accountability and transparency of DORS programs and services.

- Guiding question: How should DORS increase accountability and transparency in its programs and services?
- Presentations:
 - o Kathleen Biebel, Deputy Commissioner, Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission
 - Amanda Baczko, Director, Office of Individual and Family Engagement, Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission

Next Meeting: December 8, 2022, 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm

- Review of Interim Commission recommendations and feedback
- Topic #3: Methods for improving the amount of time it takes to provide vocational rehabilitation and transitional services.