



Louisiana Developmental Disabilities Council



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March 15, 2024

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Developmental Disabilities Council Members

FROM: Ebony Haven
Interim Executive Director

RE: April 2024 Developmental Disabilities Council Meeting

Act 393 of the 2023 Regular Session amended Open Meetings Law to allow for remote operations (i.e. by electronic means or virtually) of public bodies that meet specific requirements detailed in the bill. The Act also requires each individual agency to promulgate its own rules for remote meetings. The Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) has submitted the documents for publication as a Final Rule in the **March 20, 2024 Louisiana Register**.

Therefore, we anticipate the Council being able to meet virtually for the April meeting, with an anchor location for those who would like to attend in person. Council members wishing to attend virtually will be counted towards the quorum and allowed to vote on all decisions. Once the rule is published in the *Louisiana Register*, we will send more information about the rules for virtual participation including how public comment will be taken during the meeting as soon as possible. As always, all efforts will be made to stream our meetings live on our [YouTube channel](#).

The April Council Meeting, will be held April 17th-18th at the Council's office, **5615 Corporate Blvd. 3rd Floor**, in Baton Rouge. **Please note that the floor/suite has changed.**

The Council and committees will meet as follows:

Wednesday, April 17, 2024

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Executive Committee

10:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Act 378 Subcommittee

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Self-Determination / Community Inclusion

3:00 pm. – 5:00 p.m. Education / Employment Committee

Thursday, April 18, 2024

8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Council Meeting

Meeting documents will be posted on the [Council's website](#) upon receipt.



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Council meetings are open to the public and all citizens are welcome to attend in public. Closed captioning will be provided during this meeting. If you require another access service to fully participate or have any questions about accessibility, please contact Bridgette.Talley@la.gov at least 3 business days prior to the meeting or call (225) 342-6804 to ensure you are provided with the best experience possible.