

# Join a Committee! Help Us Plan!



## 2021 Committees

The IDD Council invites you to join one of the 2021 committees that further advance the mission and goals of the IDD Council. It is your skills, your ideas, your contribution - that create our success!

- **The Transition Committee** develops strategies that support families and students in schools and secondary education and provides educators the opportunity to collaborate and discover resources to share with families in the path to adulthood. The committee is looking for school counselors, transition specialists, parents and advocates interested in establishing or advancing opportunities for people with disabilities after high school.
- **The Special Events Committee** identifies and hosts special programs that add value to the community and attract new members, families, and participants. The committee selects speakers, locations and topics for special events hosted by the Council. Special Events currently include CapeAbilities Job Fair, April Cools Day, Sensory Santa and Caregiver Education and Networking Nights. The committee is looking for parents, providers, community leaders and event planners to join in finding new opportunities.
- **The Communications & Programming Committee** is responsible for identifying and scheduling topics of interest for Council events and creating and distributing information important to members of the Council and community through written and electronic media. The committee's primary objective is to increase awareness and inclusion of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Provide awareness of issues related to IDD including Council initiatives, oversee media contacts/relations, website, newsletters, and Council publications. This Committee works with the Tarrant Cares Committee to maintain the integrity of the information provided on the IDD component of the Tarrant Cares website. The committee is looking for parents, providers and communicators interested in engagement opportunities for the Council.
- **The Finance Committee** recommends, oversees and evaluates procedures for the management of the financial affairs of the Council. The committee reviews financial statements and presents them to the Board of Directors, provides oversight of grants and resource development, monitors income to the Council, prepares the annual operating budget for approval by the Board of Directors, and makes recommendations relating to membership fees. Ensure all procedures are consistent with regulations and rules for sound fiscal management in accord with Generally Acceptable Accounting Procedures (GAAP). Educates and encourages Council members in their personal philanthropy towards the Council.
- **The Tarrant Cares Committee** is responsible for the ongoing oversight and general management of the IDD module of the Tarrant Cares website, the Tarrant County collaborative resource website. Provide, update, and maintain the service directory and available resources, training modules, IDD web links, and literature on the Tarrant Cares site. The Committee Chair and Executive Director will serve on the Tarrant Cares Committee.

***"Every successful individual knows that his or her achievement depends on a community of persons working together" -- Paul Ryan***

**To join a committee [contact us](#) for more information.**

The Council utilizes a structure of standing committees, as specified in the Council's By-laws. All other committees shall be established annually by the action of the Board of Directors. Ad-hoc committees may be established by the Chair, as deemed necessary to carry out the work of the Council. Chairpersons of committees and ad-hoc committees shall serve on the Board of Directors as non-voting ex-officio members. Standing committees include the Communications and Programming Committee, Finance Committee and Tarrant Cares Committee.