

# Disability-Related Interagency and Special Education Council and Committee Opportunities

## State Level

Open Appointment applications and current vacancies for all state councils, boards, and commissions are available at: [www.sos.state.mn.us/openapp/index.html](http://www.sos.state.mn.us/openapp/index.html) or [appointments@sos.state.mn.us](mailto:appointments@sos.state.mn.us), or call 651-297-5845 to receive monthly announcements of current vacancies.

## Governor's Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC)

Makes recommendations to the governor, the legislature, and the state agencies serving infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families to ensure a coordinated state and local early childhood intervention system. [www.yourlink.org](http://www.yourlink.org); Contact Dawn Bly, Chair, at 218-435-1909; [blyfamily@gvtel.com](mailto:blyfamily@gvtel.com)

## Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC)

Advises the Division of Special Education and Office of Monitoring and Compliance regarding policies, practices and issues related to the education of children and youth with disabilities, ages birth through 21. Contact Mary McDevitt-Kraljic at 651-582-8589; [mary.mcdevitt-kraljic@state.mn.us](mailto:mary.mcdevitt-kraljic@state.mn.us).

## State Transition Team

For the improvement and delivery of services to young adults ages 14-21 with disabilities and their families. Contact Jayne Spain at 651-582-8515 or by e-mail at [jayne.spain@state.mn.us](mailto:jayne.spain@state.mn.us).

## State Advisory Council on Mental Health; Subcommittee on Children's Mental Health

Advises the governor, legislature and state agencies about policy, programs and services affecting people with mental illness. The subcommittee makes recommendations on matters pertaining to children's mental health. Contact Bruce Weinstock at 651-

582-1824 or [Bruce.Weinstock@state.mn.us](mailto:Bruce.Weinstock@state.mn.us); <http://mentalhealth.dhs.state.mn.us/>

## Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities

Advisory group charged with providing information, education and training that will enable people with significant disabilities to become independent, productive, and included in community life. [www.mnodd.org](http://www.mnodd.org); Contact Colleen Wieck, 651-296-4018; [admin.dd@state.mn.us](mailto:admin.dd@state.mn.us)

## County or Local Level

### Interagency Early Intervention Committee (IEIC)

For the improvement and delivery of services to children birth-5 with disabilities and their families. Contact list at [www.mnsic.org/governance/local.html](http://www.mnsic.org/governance/local.html) or call Sue Benolken, Minnesota Dept. of Human Services, 651-284-4156; [sue.benolken@state.mn.us](mailto:sue.benolken@state.mn.us)

### Special Education Parent Advisory Councils/ Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC)

To increase the involvement of parents of children with disabilities in district policy making and decision-making. Contact your school district's special education director.

### Community Transition Interagency Committee (CTIC)

For the improvement and delivery of services to young adults ages 14-21 with disabilities and their families.

Statewide contact list available from Minnesota Department of Education's Interagency Office on Transition Services, Jayne Spain, 651-582-8515 or [jayne.spain@state.mn.us](mailto:jayne.spain@state.mn.us).

### Children's Mental Health Collaborative (Local Coordinating Council, LCC/Local Advisory Council, LAC)

For the development, delivery, and

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improvement of services to children, youth 0-21 with mental health issues and their families. [http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/groups/children/documents/pub/dhs\\_id\\_001475.hcsp](http://www.dhs.state.mn.us/main/groups/children/documents/pub/dhs_id_001475.hcsp) Contact Amalia Mendoza, 651-431-2328 or [amalia.Mendoza@state.mn.us](mailto:amalia.Mendoza@state.mn.us).

### **Family Services Collaborative (FSC)**

For the development, delivery and improvement of services to children, youth and families in need, ages birth-21. Contact Amalia Mendoza, 651-437-2328 or [amalia.Mendoza@state.mn.us](mailto:amalia.Mendoza@state.mn.us).