



## Ohio Administrative Code

### Rule 5123-12-01 Conducting meetings of the Ohio developmental disabilities council via interactive video conference or teleconference.

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#### (A) Purpose

This rule authorizes members of the Ohio developmental disabilities council to participate in council meetings via interactive video conference or teleconference; establishes requirements for conducting council meetings via interactive video conference or teleconference; and establishes a policy regarding the distribution and circulation of meeting-related documents to council members, the public, and the media.

#### (B) Definitions

- (1) "Council" means the Ohio developmental disabilities council as established by section 5123.35 of the Revised Code.
- (2) "Meeting-related documents" means the meeting agenda, previous meeting minutes, state plan language drafts or amendments, and other documents that may be the subject of a motion.
- (3) "Primary meeting location" means the physical location of the public meeting that is indicated in a notice of public meeting.

#### (C) Participation in council meetings via interactive video conference or teleconference

- (1) Members of council may participate in a council meeting via interactive video conference or teleconference.
- (2) A minimum of three members of council will be physically present at the primary meeting location for each council meeting.
- (3) A member of council participating in a council meeting via interactive video conference or



teleconference will not be counted toward a quorum or be eligible to vote if technical difficulties interfere with the member's full participation in the meeting.

(D) Authentication of members participating via teleconference

(1) The executive director of the council or the executive director's designee will provide each council member who is eligible to participate in a meeting via teleconference with a pass code to authenticate the member's identity.

(2) Once a member has utilized a pass code, the executive director of the council or the executive director's designee will provide the council member with a new pass code for future use.

(3) A member participating via teleconference who cannot provide a valid pass code prior to a meeting will not be counted toward a quorum and will not have voting privileges at that meeting.

(E) Distribution of meeting materials

(1) Designated council staff will send via electronic mail, facsimile, or United States postal service, or make available via electronic file sharing, meeting-related documents to each member of the committee prior to the convening of a meeting of council conducted via interactive video conference or teleconference. Meeting-related documents sent to members who elect to receive documents via electronic mail or facsimile or made available to members who elect to receive documents via electronic file sharing will be sent or made available no less than forty-eight hours prior to the convening of the meeting. Meeting-related documents sent to members who elect to receive documents via United States postal service will be postmarked no less than seven days prior to the convening of the meeting.

(2) The executive director of the council or the executive director's designee will maintain an up-to-date list of the names and contact information for members of the general public and members of the media who have requested to receive meeting-related documents prior to the convening of a meeting of council conducted via interactive video conference or teleconference. Meeting-related documents sent to members of the general public or members of the media who elect to receive documents via electronic mail or facsimile will be sent no less than forty-eight hours prior to the convening of the



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