

Katie Beckett Waiver Program Working Group

Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 2, 2024

1:00PM on Zoom and [YouTube Live](#)

I. Convene Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 1:03PM by Rep. Jillian Gilchrest.

II. The Co-Chairs provided opening remarks welcoming back members.

III. Roll Call of Working Group Members

Members: Sen. Matt Lesser, Rep. Jillian Gilchrest, Molly Cole, Beth Fresa, Jennifer Handt, Louisa Kalsner, Emily Germain-Lee, Lesley Bennett, Nicholas Venditto, David Negron

Absent: Christine Weston

Guests: Dominic Cotton, Paul Chase, Sarah Makowicki

IV. Minutes

A motion was made by Molly Cole and seconded by Emily Germain-Lee to approve meeting minutes for November 12, 2024. **The motion passed.**

V. DSS Presentation

Paul Chase from DSS provided information based on a couple of questions that have been asked in past meetings. Mr. Chase provided a description of the application process and utilization data.

Discussion was held on various aspects of the application process, wait times, and program utilization for CY 2023.

VI. Initial Discussion of Recommendations for Final Report

Rep. Gilchrest then started discussing the final report. Based on conversations thus far, it seems that there needs to be updates to the application process, waitlist, and website. Members provided input on what they would like to see in the final report. Rep. Gilchrest said the next meeting we will dive deeper into these topics and will allow DSS to provide more details on how realistic these recommendations can be achieved.

VII. Announcement of Time and Date of Next Meeting

Rep. Gilchrest scheduled the next meeting for December 16, 2024 at 11:00 am.

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 12:03PM

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