

## Indiana County Committees, Councils, and Coalitions

**If you know of any groups that should be added, have corrections to the information provided, or comments, call Human Services at 724-463-8200, ext 3 or email to [mpounds@indianacountypa.gov](mailto:mpounds@indianacountypa.gov). (Updated 3/19)**

Group/Organization	Mission/Goals	Contact
<p>Armstrong-Indiana Behavioral Health Senior care Task Force <i>3<sup>rd</sup> Week of the month 1pm; in Indiana or Kittanning call for details</i></p>	<p>This is a specialized, solutions focused group that was formed to better understand the behavioral health needs of our county residents. We want to ensure that seniors, family members, and caregivers in our communities have the behavioral health services and supports that they need</p>	<p>Michelle Armitage Armstrong-Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program (724) 548-3451 <a href="mailto:marmitage@aimhmr.net">marmitage@aimhmr.net</a></p>
<p>Indiana County Drug Free Communities Coalition (DFCC) <i>Meets Quarterly; 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday, at 10 a.m.</i></p>	<p>An organization of community sectors such as individuals representing education, healthcare, drug and alcohol prevention, human services, law enforcement, government, parents and concerned citizens to create a safe, healthy and drug free environment in the county for youth and families.</p>	<p>Kami Anderson, Exec. Director Armstrong-Indiana-Clarion Drug and Alcohol Commission (724) 354-2746 Ext: 306 <a href="mailto:kanderson@aicdac.org">kanderson@aicdac.org</a></p>
<p>Children's Advisory Commission (CAC) <i>Monthly 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday 8:30 a.m.</i> <a href="http://www.childrensadvisorycommission.org">www.childrensadvisorycommission.org</a> Email to: <a href="mailto:cac@indianacountypa.gov">cac@indianacountypa.gov</a></p>	<p>Mission: Seeking to improve outcomes for children, adolescents and their families in Indiana County, Provides resources and information sharing for child-serving agency, members; Sponsors family events including Family Fun Fest, Family Nature Palooza, and Day of Play. Conducts the <i>Indiana County Speaks Up</i> needs Assessment every five years with The Indiana County Department of Human Services.</p>	<p>Jill DaBella, Co-Chair Penns Manor Elementary School <a href="mailto:dabellji@pennsmanor.org">dabellji@pennsmanor.org</a> 724-254-2666, ext 1740 Carol Schurman, Co-Chair <a href="mailto:cjs4@psu.edu">cjs4@psu.edu</a></p>
<p>Community Disability Awareness Group <i>Monthly 1<sup>st</sup> Monday 8:30 a.m.</i></p>	<p>A group of community members working together to provide information about disabilities to members of our community to help us get to know each other better and to make our community a better place for everyone.</p>	<p>Barbara Telthorster The Arc of Indiana County (724) 349-8230 <a href="mailto:btelth@arcindiana.org">btelth@arcindiana.org</a></p>
<p>Community Support Program <i>Monthly 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday 1 p.m.</i></p>	<p>Coalition working to help consumers and families with behavioral health issues live successfully in the community.</p>	<p>A&amp;I BDHP AT (724) 349-3350 <a href="mailto:jbujdos@aimhmr.net">jbujdos@aimhmr.net</a></p>
<p>Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Task Force <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday 11:30 am to 1: p.m.</i></p>	<p>This group focuses on increasing community and campus awareness of domestic violence and sexual assault, encourages residents of the county and IUP to support and assist with prevention efforts, and offers education addressing issues of domestic violence and sexual assault.</p>	<p>Ashley Pisarcik <a href="mailto:apisarcik@indianacountypa.gov">apisarcik@indianacountypa.gov</a></p>
<p>Family Self-Sufficiency Task Force (FSS) <i>Quarterly meetings 1<sup>st</sup> Monday 12:30pm.</i></p>	<p>Advisory Group to give input in policies and procedures of the FSS Program.</p>	<p>Housing Authority of Indiana County (724) 463-4730 Beth Illig, Coordinator, ext, 122 <a href="mailto:bethillig@HAICHousing.com">bethillig@HAICHousing.com</a> or Diann Overman, Asst. Coordinator, ext. 129 <a href="mailto:IndianaFss@gmail.com">IndianaFss@gmail.com</a></p>
<p>Health and Human Services <i>Quarterly See website for dates/time</i> <a href="http://www.indianacountyhhss32.org">www.indianacountyhhss32.org</a> <a href="mailto:indianacountyhhss32@gmail.com">indianacountyhhss32@gmail.com</a></p>	<p>The Health and Human Services Subcommittee (HHSS) is part of the Indiana County Disaster Planning Committee of the Emergency Management Agency (EMA). It is their mission to support EMA goals and disaster response by linking together agencies to provide health, medical, and human services. Included in this mission is providing medical counter measures for Indiana County when necessary.</p>	<p>Kathy Abbey-Baker HHSS Coordinator 724-463-8200 ext 8</p>

<p>Indiana County Elder Abuse Task Force</p>	<p>Focuses on stopping scam artists, thieves, and other criminals from preying on the elderly.</p>	<p>District Attorney Patrick Dougherty (724) 465-3835 <a href="mailto:pdougherty@indianacountypa.gov">pdougherty@indianacountypa.gov</a></p>
<p>Indiana County Housing Consortium <i>Quarterly</i> <i>Third Wednesday 2 p.m.</i></p>	<p>To serve as a coordinating body to identify and address housing needs.</p>	<p>Luann Zak, Indiana County Office of Planning and Development (724) 465-3870 <a href="mailto:lzak@ceo.co.indiana.pa.us">lzak@ceo.co.indiana.pa.us</a></p>
<p>Safe Children's Network of Indiana County <i>Monthly</i> <i>4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, 8:30 a.m.</i></p>	<p>Prevent unintentional injuries to children, ages 0-13.</p>	<p>Susan Good, Chair 724-762-0105 <a href="mailto:susangoodcche@hotmail.com">susangoodcche@hotmail.com</a></p>
<p>Armstrong - Indiana Transition Council <i>4 times per school year</i> Meeting dates/times on IU 28 website</p>	<p>Educators, agency representatives, parents employers, and youth with disabilities identifying resources to promote a seamless transition for students with disabilities for successful post-school outcomes</p>	<p>Adrienne Stiteler ARIN Transition Consultant (724) 463-5300 Ext: 1105 <a href="mailto:astiteler@iu28.org">astiteler@iu28.org</a></p>
<p>Indiana Healthcare Careers Consortium <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 8:30 a.m.</i></p>	<p>To address the shortage of healthcare workers in Indiana County. Partner with local health care providers, human service agencies, educational providers, and economic and workforce development agencies.</p>	<p>Dr. Diana Rupert, ICTC (724)-349-6700 <a href="mailto:drupert@ictc.edu">drupert@ictc.edu</a></p>
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<p>Local Interagency Coordinating Council of Armstrong and Indiana Counties (LICC) <i>August to May; 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday</i> <i>5 times a year, locations vary</i></p>	<p>Consists of families, community persons, and service providers who address Early Intervention Services/Supports in Indiana and Armstrong Counties.</p>	<p>Missi Williams, Co-Chair (724) 548-3451 ext. 621 <a href="mailto:mwilliams@aimhmr.net">mwilliams@aimhmr.net</a> Tamara Duff, Co-Chair (724) 463-5300, ext. 1248 <a href="mailto:tduff@iu28.org">tduff@iu28.org</a></p>
<p>Local Task Force on the Right to Education <i>Last Friday of Jan., April, Aug., &amp; Oct.</i> <i>10 a.m.</i></p>	<p>Works to strengthen, improve, expand, and monitor programs and services that meet individual educational needs for students with disabilities.</p>	<p>Kim Rode (724)-463-5300, ext 1245 <a href="mailto:krode@iu28.org">krode@iu28.org</a></p>
<p>Psychiatric Assessment Liaison (PALS) <i>4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of month</i> <i>2 pm</i></p>	<p>This meeting includes behavioral health providers, human service agencies, and hospitals that meet to discuss current issues and trends with the behavioral health system</p>	<p>Karla Shaffer, IRMC Behavioral Health Services 724-357-7404 <a href="mailto:kshaffer@indianarmc.org">kshaffer@indianarmc.org</a></p>
<p>Suicide Task Force of Indiana Co. <i>Monthly</i> <i>1<sup>st</sup> Monday 10 a.m.</i> <a href="http://www.stf32.com">www.stf32.com</a></p>	<p>Education &amp; information about prevention, intervention, and post-vention of suicides.</p>	<p>Jerry Overman, Co-Chair Indiana County Coroner (724) 465-3996 <a href="mailto:joverman@countyofindiana.org">joverman@countyofindiana.org</a></p>
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<p>The Parent Transition Group <i>1<sup>st</sup> Monday</i> <i>10:00 a.m. to 12 noon</i></p>	<p>A network for families of children with disabilities Who are making the transition from high school to Post-secondary education, employment, and community Living.</p>	<p>Barbara Telthorster The Arc of Indiana County (724) 349-8230 <a href="mailto:btelth@arcindiana.org">btelth@arcindiana.org</a></p>