

Indiana County Committees, Councils, and Coalitions

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***** MEETINGS MAY BE HELD HYBRID (IN PERSON OR VIA ZOOM) OR MAY BE MEETING VIRTUALLY, CALL FOR INFO!**

Group/Organization	Mission/Goals	Contact
Armstrong-Indiana Behavioral Health Senior care Task Force <i>Meets quarterly; call for details</i>	A specialized, solutions focused group that was formed to better understand the behavioral health needs of county residents. They want to ensure that seniors, family members, and caregivers in our communities have the behavioral health services and supports that they need.	Michelle Armitage (724) 548-3451 marmitage@aimhmr.net
Indiana County Drug Free Communities Coalition (DFCC) <i>Meets quarterly 3rd Thursday; Feb, May Aug, Nov 10 am to 11am; Hybrid</i>	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.	Jill Northey (814) 226-6350, x 106 jnorthey@aicdac.org
Children's Advisory Commission (CAC) <i>Monthly, except July 1st Tuesday 8:30 a.m. www.childrensadvisorcommission.org</i>	This group seeks 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 and Family Nature Palooza; conducts the <i>Indiana County Speaks Up</i> Needs Assessment every five years in partnership with The Indiana County Department of Human Services.	Sarah Schroth, Co-Chair sschroth@iu28.org 724-463-5300, ext 1203 Britany Allison, Co-Chair ballison@thecgc.com 724-465-5576 Jen Villa CAC Coordinator 724-463-8200, ext 8 cac@indianacountypa.gov
Community Disability Awareness Group <i>Meets Quarterly; Hybrid; Off July/Aug (Zoom Capability-email for link) 2nd Monday 9:00 a.m.</i>	This group of community members work together to identify barriers that directly affect the individuals with a disability in our community. They strive to develop positive solutions, provide information, networking, and a place to learn about the needs and challenges of individuals with a disability.	Michelle Jordan (724) 349-8230 mjordan@arcindiana.org
Community Support Program <i>Monthly 1st Thursday, 1 p.m., at The Chevy Chase Community Center</i>	Coalition working to help consumers and families with behavioral health issues live successfully in the community.	Aggie Hockenberry, Co-Chair ahockenberry@armindcfst.org
Family Self-Sufficiency Task Force (FSS) <i>Quarterly meetings (March, June, September, December) 3rd Wednesday, 11:00 am.</i>	Advisory Group to give input in policies and procedures of the FSS Program.	Shannon Kundla, Executive Director Housing Authority of Indiana County (724) 463-4730, ext. 111 ShannonKundla@haichousing.com
Indiana Voices for Equality <i>Meets quarterly; 10 am; Via ZOOM; Off July/Aug Call for dates/ZOOM Link</i>	The mission is to advance equal treatment of black and brown individuals through ethnicity awareness, education, and advocacy using an open, and safe community discussion platform.	Michelle Jordan mjordan@arcindiana.org 724-349-8230
Health and Human Services Subcommittee (HHSS) <i>Meet 3 times per year Call for dates/time/location www.indianacountyhhss32.org hhss@indianacountypa.gov</i>	This is a sub-committee of the Indiana County Disaster Planning Committee under the county's Emergency Management Agency (EMA). Their mission is to link together agencies that provide health, medical, and human services in order to support EMA goals and response. HHSS also distributes disaster preparedness information to the Indiana County community at outreach events.	Kathy Abbey-Baker HHSS Coordinator 724-463-8200 ext 7 hhss@indianacountypa.gov

Indiana County Elder Abuse Task Force <i>Quarterly (Mar, June, Sept, Dec)</i> <i>2nd Thursday, 1:15 pm</i>	A collaborative effort to prevent all forms of abuse and neglect towards our senior population <i>and to empower seniors in all aspects of their lives.</i>	Robert Manzi, District Attorney, (724) 465-3835 rmanzi@indianacountypa.gov
Indiana County Housing Consortium <i>Quarterly (January, April, July, October)</i> <i>3rd Wednesday, 1:30 pm; at the PA CareerLink Building</i>	To serve as a coordinating body to identify and address housing needs.	LuAnn Zak, Chair (724) 465-3870 lzak@ceo.co.indiana.pa.us
Safe Children's Network of Indiana County <i>Monthly; 4th Tuesday, 8:30 a.m.;</i> <i>@ Eat N Park or via ZOOM</i>	Prevent unintentional injuries to children, ages 0-13 through community and family educational engagement.	Susan Good, Chair 724-762-0105 cac@indianacountypa.gov
Armstrong - Indiana Transition Council <i>2 to 3 times per school year</i> Meeting dates/times on IU 28 website	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	Adrienne Stiteler (724) 463-5300 Ext: 1105 astiteler@iu28.org
Indiana County Healthcare Careers Consortium <i>2nd Wednesday, 8:30 a.m.</i>	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.	Dr. Diana Rupert (724)-349-6700 drupert@ictc.edu Kelly Howells (724)-465-9224 Kelly@anewnursing.com Co-Chairs
Local Interagency Coordinating Council of Armstrong and Indiana Counties (LICC) <i>August to April; 2nd Wednesday; 9:30 am</i> <i>In person or via ZOOM</i>	Consists of families, community persons, and service providers who address Early Intervention Services/Supports in Indiana and Armstrong Counties.	Missi Williams, Co-Chair (724) 548-3451 ext. 621 mwilliams@aimhmr.net Brandi Sieczkowski, Co-Chair 724-463-5300, ext. 1248 bsieczkowski@iu28.org
Suicide Task Force of Indiana Co. <i>Quarterly General Meetings, 1st Monday at 10 a.m.; Committee Meetings meet monthly</i> www.stf32.com	Education & information about prevention, intervention, and postvention of suicides.	Jerry Overman, Co-Chair (724) 465-3996 joverman@indianacountypa.gov Chelsey Baroni, Co-Chair 724-465-0369 Chelsey.baroni@clarvida.com Leo Buck, Coordinator 724-463-8200, ext 2 Stf32@indianacountypa.gov
Local Task Force on the Right to Education <i>1st Wednesday, except June, July, Aug, Dec</i> <i>9:30 am; at The Arc; In person or via ZOOM; call for ZOOM Link</i>	A workgroup for parents of school-aged students with disabilities. The purpose of the group is to provide parents with resources, support related to advocacy, special education and secondary transition.	Michelle Jordan (724) 349-8230 mjordan@arcindiana.org
The Veteran Providers Group (VPG) <i>3rd Friday,</i> <i>1 pm to 2 pm</i>	A group of providers that serve local Veterans in terms of housing, education, employment, and medical needs. They coordinate services and work together to better serve our local Veterans.	Diann Overman Veteran Outreach Coordinator doverman@indianacountypa.gov 724-471-7726