

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §18-10Q-3

§18-10Q-3. Creation of Employment First Taskforce; membership; meeting requirements.

(a) The Commissioner of the West Virginia Bureau for Behavioral Health shall establish a taskforce for the purpose of developing and implementing a state Employment First Policy.

(b) The commissioner shall appoint the membership of the taskforce, which shall include, at a minimum, the following members:

- (1) The Commissioner of the West Virginia Bureau for Behavioral Health, or his or her representative, who shall chair the taskforce;
- (2) An individual with a developmental disability;
- (3) An individual with an intellectual disability;
- (4) A family member of a person with a disability;
- (5) A representative of the Department of Education;
- (6) A representative of Workforce West Virginia;
- (7) A representative of the Division of Rehabilitation Services;
- (8) A representative of the Bureau for Medical Services (State Medicaid Agency);
- (9) A representative of the West Virginia Developmental Disabilities Council;
- (10) A representative of a provider of integrated and competitive employment services who does not also provide sheltered or otherwise segregated services for individuals with disabilities;
- (11) A representative of West Virginia Center of Excellence in Disabilities;
- (12) A representative of Disability Rights of West Virginia (the Governor-designated state protection and advocacy agency);
- (13) A representative of the West Virginia Statewide Independent Living Council;
- (14) A representative of the West Virginia Community and Technical College Systems;
- (15) A representative of the West Virginia Behavioral Healthcare Providers Association;
- (16) A representative of the West Virginia Association of Rehabilitation Facilities; and

(17) The State of West Virginia Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator.

(c) The taskforce shall hold meetings at the call of the chairperson or upon written request of a majority of the members. The taskforce shall meet at least four times a year.

(d) The chairman of the taskforce shall appointment a member to act as secretary for the purposes of the taking of minutes. The minutes shall be approved by the taskforce at each meeting. The minutes and all other documentation shall be maintained by the chair.