

Ohio Sunset Review Committee Agency Questionnaire

Agency Name: Interagency Workgroup on Autism (IWGA)

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Agency's primary purpose and its various goals and objectives

Ohio's Interagency Work Group on Autism (IWGA) was created in state law "to improve the coordination of the state's efforts to address the service needs of individuals with autism spectrum disorders and the families of those individuals." (ORC 5123 .0419)

The goals of the IWGA are issued in its annual report. Below are some of the goals from the 2023 annual report:

- Over the next 12 months, the IWGA will strengthen and promote Ohio's efforts to increase developmental monitoring and autism screening, facilitate referrals, support families, and build statewide capacity for timely autism assessment.
- Over the next 12 months, the IWGA will partner with stakeholders to build healthcare's capacity to serve autistic Ohioans and improve health outcomes.
- Over the next 12 months, the IWGA will identify opportunities to streamline, simplify, and better coordinate eligibility, planning, and funding across Ohio's service delivery systems, providing recommendations for improvement.
- Over the next 12 months, the IWGA will identify issues related to the quality, capacity, availability, and funding of services across the state for autistic Ohioans and their families, providing recommendations for improvement.

Agency's past and anticipated workload, number of staff required to complete workload, and total number of staff

The IWGA meets monthly to review state policies, learn from current research and data, share learning, and identify opportunities to better communicate and coordinate policy impacting the lives of individuals with ASD and their families.

The IWGA is a multi-agency collaborative between the following:

- Ohio Department of Education and Workforce
- Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services
- OCALI

- Ohio Department of Medicaid
- Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities
- Ohio Department of Health
- Ohio Department of Job and Family Services
- Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities

Additionally, the IWGA shall submit an annual report that includes recommendations for the workgroup's priorities and goals for the next year.

Agency's past and anticipated budgets and its sources of funding

As the lead agency, DODD contributes \$150,000 of GRF to the convening and facilitation of the IWGA. IWGA members serve without compensation.

Number of members of its governing board or other governing entity and their compensation, if any

OCALI convenes the IWGA which is composed of eight state agency members. Members do not receive compensation.

Additional notes

IWGA Website

IWGA 2022 Pursuing Quality Lives

IWGA 2023 Annual Report & Recommendations