I. Call to order
Joseph Valenti called to order the regular meetings of the DD Advisory Committee at 10:05 am on Thursday, December 5, 2019 at the Nebraska State Office Building, Lower Level C, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, NE.

II. Roll call
The following persons were present:
Advisory Members Present: Joseph Valenti, Margaret Huss, Lisa Pruitt, Linda Jespersen, MaryAnn Schiefen, Kristen Larsen, William Ehegartner, Cathy Martinez, Diane Focht, Jennifer Miller, Angela Willey, Lori Broady, Dianna DeLair, Wayne Stuberg, Butch Crookedfoot
Advisory Members Absent: Norma Mercer, Debbie Salomon, Vicki Depenbusch
DHHS Staff: Tony Green, Tyla Watson
Other: Robert Davis

III. Approval of Minutes from October 10, 2019 meeting
- Kristen Larsen made a motion to approve minutes as presented, motion 2nd by Linda Jespersen. The minutes were approved as presented.

IV. DHHS Division of Developmental Disabilities – Updates/Review of Action Items
a) DD Court-Ordered Custody Act (COCA)
   o 32 – Active DD COCA cases
   o 0 – Pending DD COCA cases
   o 1 new case since the October Meeting.
   o Discussion Followed
   o Suggestion consideration: A letter to the court expressing support of individuals coming off the DD Court Ordered Custody for those people that the committee that would be appropriate
   o Committee review what other states are doing.

b) Quality Management Plan Update
   1) The RFP process is underway for contracting with a quality improvement organization-like (QIO) entity to continue our community and implement model practices for components of a robust quality oversight framework.
   2) Mortality Review - Dianne requested a list of the mortality review members.
   3) CMS Health and Welfare State Review Team will be visiting December 9th-13th for a review of compliance with health and safety oversight of HCBS waiver participants.
c) Objective Assessment Redesign Project Update
   o The Objective Assessment Process redesign project remains on schedule. Standardized risk screen tools are currently being considered to replace Nebraska’s homegrown screening tools.
   o Discussion Followed.

d) Level of Care Assessment Tool Redesign
   o The timeline for Phase I of the institutional level of care redesign project has been extended through a contract amendment.
   o Updated timeline shared with the committee.
   o Discussion Followed.

e) Waitlist
   o As of November 2019:
     ▪ 2606 on waitlist
     ▪ 1085 on the waitlist are minors
     ▪ 398 # newly eligible in Calendar year 2019
     ▪ 394 # individuals receive Service Coordination only
   o Agenda Item for February Meeting: Request a more detailed data on who is on the wait list to be presented at the next meeting.

V. Olmstead Plan Update
   • Public Comments closed on November 22, 2019
   • The plan and report is on target to be submitted to the legislature on December 15, 2019.
   • Discussion Followed.

VI. Unfinished Business
a) Emergency Response Federal Visit Update (November)
   o Two public meetings in Columbus & Omaha to talk about disaster awareness
   o Taking public comments until March.
   o Nebraska is a little bit behind and we have some work to do.

VII. New Business
b) DD Council – Person Centered Planning Sub-award
   o Legal did not approve the award because the Blue Fire was not a non-profit entity.
   o New RFI has been submitted.
c) Agenda item for next meeting is December 15, 2019.
   o Members asked to review the DHHS Advisory Committee website and provide comments/suggestions for and changes at the next meeting.

VIII. Public Comment
No public comments.
IX. **Adjournment**

Joseph Valenti adjourned the meeting at 12:37 PM.
Next meeting to be held:
  - Thursday, February 13, 2020
  - 10:00-2:00 PM
  - Nebraska State Office Building - Lower Level B
  - 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln