



- DRAFT -

Michigan Council for Rehabilitation Services

Quarterly Meeting Agenda

Thursday, February 12, 2026

Meeting Time: 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. EST

Meeting Type: Virtual

Virtual Platform: Microsoft Teams

Click to [Join the meeting now](#)

Meeting ID: 254 106 968 641 5 **Passcode:** ap6fe2T2

Dial in by phone: 1 248-509-0316 **Phone Conf ID:** 370 020 575#

9:15 am Virtual Meeting Room Opens

- Networking

9:30 am Quarterly Business Meeting - Morning Session

- Call to Order – Carol Bergquist, Chairperson
- Welcome – Carol Bergquist
 - New Members:
Jenny (Jeanette) Brown, representing disability advocacy groups;
Jamia Davis, representing Statewide Independent Living Council;
Maria Peak, representing disability advocacy groups,
John Sloat, representing Client Assistant Program, and
Marisa Spain, representing Applicants for, or Recipients of, Vocational Rehabilitation Services
 - Reappointments:
Yasmina Bouraoui, representing disability advocacy groups
Kathy Flagstadt, representing qualified vocational rehabilitation counselors with knowledge of, or experience with, vocational rehabilitation programs, and
Laurie Penfold, representing business, industry or labor
- Member Roll Call – Kathy Flagstadt, Secretary
- Introductions – Members, DSU Representatives, & Guests – Carol Bergquist
- Council vote on proposed Agenda for 02/12/26, Carol Bergquist
- Council vote on minutes from 10/09/25 Business Meeting, Carol Bergquist

9:50 am Resource Plan

- Resource Plan FY2026 Update, Steve Dalton

9:55 am – Update of Impact of Federal and State of Michigan Changes – Kelsey Hockaday, Discussion Facilitator

10:15 am Partner Reports – In light of the shortened business meeting, written reports are requested, and significant highlights can be shared at the business meeting.

- Michigan Developmental Disability Council (DD Council), Yasmina Bouraoui
- Disability Rights Michigan Quarterly Report, John Sloat
- Michigan Alliance for Families, Karen Wang
- Michigan Interagency Transition Team (MITT) Karen Wang
- Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC), Jamia Davis

Questions and discussion on Partner Reports.

10:30 am DSU Updates – (30 minutes each – 20 for reporting/10 for discussion)

- 10:30 am Michigan Rehabilitation Services (MRS), Sigrid Adams, Director
- 11:00 am Bureau of Services for Blind Persons (BSBP), Mike Pemble, Director

11:30 am Public Comment – Kathy Flagstadt**11:35 am New Business**

- Digital Accessibility – Michelle Manikowski, State Administrative Manager, Communications and IT Support, LEO-E&T Operations
- 2026 Conferences – Any questions/interest, contact Carol Bergquist
 - Michigan Transition Services Assn Conference – Feb. 18-20, Lansing Center, Lansing, Michigan.
 - CSAVR/NCSRC/NCSAB - March 28 to April 3, Grand Hyatt Washington, Washington, DC – Executive Team participating
 - Incompass Michigan Leadership Conference, June 3-4, at the Delamar in Traverse City
 - Michigan Works! Conference – Sept 14-16, Soaring Eagle Casino, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.
 - CSAVR 2026 Fall Conference – Oct 31 – Nov 4, Hyatt Regency Frisco Dallas, Frisco, Texas
 - Incompass Michigan re:con Conference, Nov 18-20, Grand Traverse Resort, Traverse City

- Annual Report
 - Report submitted to Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) on 12/22/25.
 - Sent to National Coalition of State Rehabilitation Councils (NCSRC), Governor Whitmer, LEO Director Susan Corbin, LEO Employment & Training Deputy Director Stephanie Beckhorn, MCRS Members and posted to the MCRS website.

12:25 am Meeting Closing - Discussion & Wrap-up – Carol Bergquist

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 14, 2026, at Disability Network Capital Area, 901 E. Mt. Hope Ave., Lansing, MI 48910

12:30 pm Adjourn Business Meeting – Carol Bergquist

Optional for non-members to join the afternoon member work session.

12:30 pm Lunch Break

1:00 pm Required Member Work Session –

3:30 pm Bylaws Update Project – Carol Bergquist

Council Outreach – Orientation and Information –Kelsey Hockaday and Carol Bergquist

FY2026 Quarterly Meeting Schedule

Thursday, October 9, 2025, Michigan State Capitol, Heritage Hall, 100 N. Capitol Avenue, Lansing, MI 48933 (MCRS Meeting in morning and attending MRS Champion Awards in afternoon)

Thursday, February 12, 2026, virtual meeting

Thursday, May 14, 2026, Disability Network Capital Area, 901 E. Mt. Hope Ave., Lansing, MI 48910

Thursday, August 13, 2026, Location TBD

Thursday, September 17, 2026, Location TBD