



Agenda & Notes



Meeting	
Early Hearing Detection and Intervention in Mississippi (EHDI-MS) Advisory Committee	
Date/Time	February 14, 2025 • 1:00-3:00 p.m.
Location	Online only: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89565290499?pwd=6DicjExsgH4E44iSyFzXnt0DiaKqnp.1

PRESENT	MEMBERS	AFFILIATION	ROLE
A	Adrienne Smith	<i>Parent</i>	Parent
A	Aimee Rankin	<i>MSDH Family Support Program D/HH Role Model</i>	Deaf Adult
P	Dr. Ashley Sandifer	<i>Mississippi School for the Deaf and Blind</i>	AuD – Diagnostic Provider
A	Benjamin Wagenknecht	<i>Office of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing</i>	Office of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing & Deaf Adult
A	Dr. Catherine Brett	<i>Mississippi Division of Medicaid & Physician</i>	Mississippi Division of Medicaid
P	Dr. Charles G. Marx	<i>The University of Southern Mississippi</i>	AuD - Diagnostic Provider
P	Claire Mazingo	<i>Mississippi State Department of Health</i>	Home Visiting Programs
P	Dr. Courtney Turner	<i>The University of Southern Mississippi</i>	AuD – Diagnostic Provider
P	Dr. Elizabeth Sims	<i>University of Mississippi Medical Center</i>	MS Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics
P	Haley Rishel	<i>USM Children’s Center</i>	Early Intervention Service Provider
P	Heather Tucker	<i>MSDH EHDI Family Support Program: Family Advisor</i>	Parent
P	Dr. Jennifer Wiles	<i>Jackson State University</i>	AuD – Diagnostic Provider
P	Karonica Crumedy-Mikell	<i>MSDH EHDI Family Support Program: Lead Family Advisor</i>	Parent
P	Kaye Carr	<i>Mississippi School for the Deaf – Ski*Hi Program</i>	Early Intervention Service Provider
P	Dr. Kimberly Ward	<i>The University of Southern Mississippi</i>	AuD – Diagnostic Provider
P	Dr. L. Ashley Grillis	<i>University of Mississippi Medical Center</i>	AuD – Diagnostic Provider
P	Laura Gremillion	<i>Mississippi School for the Deaf – Ski*Hi Program</i>	Early Intervention Service Provider
P	Dr. Lori Chapman	<i>MS Chapter of Hands & Voices</i>	Parent & Family Organization (MS Chapter of Hands & Voices)
A	Dr. McKenzie Burns	<i>Magnolia Speech School</i>	AuD – Diagnostic Provider
P	Dr. Mary Gunn Prewitt	<i>University of Mississippi Medical Center</i>	AuD – Diagnostic Provider

A	Miranda Richardson	<i>Mississippi State Department of Health</i>	Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)
A	Nadeane Cattrell	<i>Mississippi Families for Kids</i>	Health Equity Organization
A	Roslyn Reed	<i>Head Start-Early Head Start (MSU Extension Service)</i>	Early Head Start
P	Toni Hollingsworth	<i>Mississippi Hearing-Vision Project (The University of Southern Mississippi)</i>	Early Intervention Service Provider
P	Valecia Davis	<i>Mississippi State Department of Health</i>	State Title V Program (CYSHCN)
P	Dr. Victoria Kivlan	<i>Mississippi Center for Advanced Medicine</i>	AuD – Diagnostic Provider

Additional Attendees:

Ashten C. Yost, EHDI Director
 Bevin Glass, Interpreter
 Lakeshia Unger, EHDI Follow-Up Coordinator
 Heather Tucker, EHDI Family Advisor
 Marty Chunn, EHDI Family Follow-Up and Support Coordinator
 Dr. Shelia Anthony, Child & Adolescent Health Director
 Sherry Anderson, EHDI Data Entry & Follow-Up
 Stacy Callender, MCH Block Grant Coordinator
 Erica Allen, Part C
 Sarah Myers, Director, The Children’s Center at USM

MINUTES

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
Welcome and Introductions	Dr. Victoria Kivlan called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. All participants were welcomed and introduced themselves.	
Review and Approve Minutes	November 15, 2025 Approval of November 15, 2024 Agenda Motion to Approve: Valecia Davis Second: Kaye Carr Call for the vote to accept the 11/15/24 Agenda as printed.	
Public Comments		
Program Updates	CDC Grant Application – <i>Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) Surveillance</i> CDC-RFA-DD-25-0157 - \$850,000 at \$170,000/year (5 years) Due March 6, 2025 Proposed Work Plan Personnel Updates Lakeshia Unger: Hearing Follow-Up Coordinator Sherry Anderson: Data Entry & Follow-Up Coordinator EHDI Data System Update EPIC	

	<p>Reporting Update As of 02/13/25: 5 hospitals left to submit 2024 Device Data As of 02/13/25: 3 hospitals left to submit 2024 1100 Forms As of 02/13/25: 9 hospitals left to submit January 2025 Device Data As of 02/13/25: 8 hospitals left to submit 2024 1100 Forms</p> <p>Hospital Check-Ins (Virtual Visits) –Bi-Weekly Opportunity to ask hearing screening reporting questions Quality Improvement project on tracking the impact of the Hospital Check-Ins – To Be Continued</p> <p>2025 EHDl Symposium: February 27-28, 2025 Location: Centennial Plaza (Gulfport, MS) 118 Registrations CEUs: MDE CEUs, MDE SEMIs, ASHA, Nurse, Social Work Sponsors with Exhibitor Tables: Phonak (\$2000 Breakfast), Molina Healthcare (Bags), e3 Diagnostics (\$500 Coffee Break), Advanced Bionics (\$500 Coffee Break), Cochlear Americas (\$500 Coffee Break), MED-EL (\$500 Coffee Break), CYSHCN (Keynote Speaker – Collaboration), The Children’s Center at USM (Lanyards), Caption Call (Pens), Magnolia Speech School (Pens/Note Pads)</p> <p>Sponsors Not Attending: AL Institute for the Deaf and Blind (AIDB) – Regional Early Acquisition of Language (REAL) Project South (Bags) & Western Psychological Services (Online Intervention Resource)</p> <p>Additional Exhibitors: MS Division of Medicaid, Discovery Toys, Families as Allies, Hands & Voices of MS, MS Department of Education, MSDH Health Services, Natus</p>	
<p>Work Group Reports</p>	<p>Systems Building Work Group EHDl Infrastructure Plan Guidance Professional Development & Quality Improvement Work Group</p> <p>Professional Development 2025 EHDl-MS Symposium</p> <p>Family Engagement & Support Work Group Family Support Program: Support Resources (Language Acquisition Outcomes Flyers) for Families D/HH Role Model Handbook EHDl Infrastructure Plan Guidance</p>	

Business:	Attendance: If a member of the EHDI-AC does not attend or send an alternate for two or more meetings within a calendar year, the member shall forfeit his/her membership on the committee. 2025-2026: Reappointments (by May 16, 2025) 2025-2026: Nominations (by May 16, 2025)	-Email any reappointments and/or nominations to Dr. Ashten Yost by the next EHDI-AC meeting on May 16, 2025.
Announcements:	-The next Advisory Committee meeting will be May 16, 2025. EHDI-MS Symposium – February 27-28, 2025 Centennial Plaza (Gulfport, Mississippi)	
Adjourn:	Motion to Adjourn: Dr. Victoria Kivlan Second: Dr. Courtney Turner The meeting was adjourned at 2:23PM.	