

AGENDA

Tennessee Department of Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services Planning and Policy Council – Region IV

05 07 2025 Wednesday 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

TAADAS office

Chair: Shara Biggs
Vice Chair: Morenike Murphy
Secretary: Stacey Yarbrough
Children's Chair: Francis Garcia
Adult Chair: Evelyn Yeargin
Legislative Chair: Elliot Pinsly

11:00 – 11:10 Welcome and Introductions

Region IV welcomes applications for council membership, especially from consumers or family members of consumers. Due to open meeting laws and record-keeping requirements, council membership is required to vote on council matters, such as minutes, needs assessments, or leadership elections. Each one of you here today can provide this council with valuable perspectives on mental health and substance use issues important to this region, and we'd love to have you as a member of this council. Anyone interested in becoming a member of Region I or has questions or concerns about the process of becoming a member can contact Stacey Yarbrough, the Region IV secretary.

11:10 – 11:25 Old Business

- Approval of November minutes

11:25 – 11:45 Quarterly Reports and Updates

11:10 – 11:15 | **TDMHSAS Update** | Kurt Hippel, TDMHSAS

11:15 – 11:25 | **TennCare MCO Reports** | Amerigroup, UHCCP, & BlueCare/TCS

11:25 – 11:45 | **Committee Reports**

- **Children's Committee** | Francis Garcia
- **Adult Committee** | Evelyn Yeargin
- **Legislative Committee** | Elliot Pinsly

11:45 – 12:00 2025 Needs Assessment: Final Review and Vote

12:00 – 12:45 Chair and Vice-Chair: Nominations and Vote

Quarterly Region IV meetings continue regularly on the first Wednesday in Feb., May, Aug., & Nov. from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm unless otherwise stated. Membership is required via application.

12:45 – 1:00

Meeting Planning, Public Comment*, Member Announcements, Adjournment

*The Regional Planning and Policy Council shall reserve a period for public comment to provide the public with the opportunity to comment on matters that are germane to the items on the agenda for the meeting. The Chair will recognize guests who wish to make public comments. Please make your intent to speak known and the Chair will recognize you.

Next meeting will be held on August 6th, 2025 @ TAADAS