



**COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE  
FOR SUPPORTING FAMILIES**  
PENNSYLVANIA STATE TEAM

**Tuesday, September 1, 2026**

<b>TIME</b>	<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>PRIMARY AUDIENCE</b>	<b>SPEAKERS</b>
8:45-9:00	Welcome	All	Deputy Secretary Ahrens Candida Walton, ODP
9:00-9:05	Personal Story Video	All	
9:05-10:00	National Core Indicators Family Surveys: National and PA Data Insights	All	Laura Vegas, NASDDDS Dorothy Heirsteiner, HSRI The Team - NCI-IDD
10:00-10:10	Break		
10:10-10:15	Wellness Moment		
10:15-11:00	Optimizing the LifeCourse Framework to Transition Successfully from School Years to Adulthood	All	Hillary Mangis, PaTTAN
11:00-12:00	Strengthening Regional Collaborative Partnerships with Schools and Other Community Organizations	All	Panel with Self-Advocate/Family Members
12:00 - 12:45	Lunch and Musical Entertainment	All	
12:45 – 1:45	One Slide Celebration Video	All	
1:45 – 2:00	Break and Select Your Breakout Session in Whova platform	All	
2:00 – 2:30	Roundtable Discussions	All	Roundtable Discussions
2:30 – 3:00	Roundtable Report Outs (share 1 or 2 highlights from each group)		Roundtable Moderators
3:00 – 3:15	Personal Story Video & Closing Remarks		Candida Walton, ODP
6:30 – 8:15	Welcome One slide video (1 hour) followed by Roundtable Discussion (30 minutes) Personal Story Video or Wellness Moment and Close		Facilitated By Supporting Families Leadership Team



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**Wednesday September 2, 2026**

8:45 – 9:00	Welcome Personal Story Video		Candida Walton, ODP
8:50 – 9:45 Breakout 1a	Leadership Skills for Regional Collaboratives	Reg Collabs	Kristen Loomis Greenidge Caitlin Bailey National Leadership Consortium on Developmental Disabilities
8:50 – 9:45 Breakout 1b	Leadership and Advocacy Skills for Individuals and Family Members	Families & Individuals	Dr. Josie Badger, DHCE, CRC
9:45 – 9:55	Break	All	
9:55-10:00	Wellness Moment	All	
10:00- 11:00	Using the Integrated Resource Team Model	All	Integrated Resource Teams - InVEST grant
12:00-1:00	Lunch and Musical Entertainment		
1:00-1:15	Recognition of Engagement Champions	All	ODP Regional Leads for Supporting Families
1:15 – 2:15	<i>Title Coming Soon!</i>	All	Reverend Sally Jo Snyder, Hot Metal Bridge Faith Community
2:15 – 2:25	Break	All	
2:25 – 2:30	Wellness Moment	All	
2:30-3:30	Regional Collaborative Planning for Next Steps: What Three Goals Can You Take From This Year’s Conference and Accomplish By The Next Conference?	All	Lead by Sally Jo Snyder
3:30-3:45	Personal Story Video Closing	All	Candida Walton, ODP