

# DDC June 2025 Monthly Updates

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Hello everyone, welcome to June! Here are a few key updates and a handful of opportunities to provide your feedback (surveys 😊):

- The Public Policy Committee has a goal of finalizing the **legislative agenda** earlier this year. This will help us make a bigger impact during legislative session in 2026. Please take this survey to tell the Committee what you believe the Council's legislative priorities should be for the 2026 session: [WA DD Council Priority Areas for 2026](#). The survey will close in one week, on 6/13/25.
- Our **5 Year State Plan Survey** is open for one more month. We have close to 1,000 responses, however the group of respondents is not very diverse. Please consider sending our survey to people in your networks who can help us get more diverse responses. We are especially looking for the following populations' perspectives: people with disabilities who are between the ages of 14 and 40, people of color, people living in rural communities and the LGBTQ+ community. Here is the link to the survey: [DDC 5 Year State Plan Survey | WADDC](#). Thanks for your help!
- My **executive director annual evaluation** is currently open and ready for your feedback. Please take this survey to tell me how I'm doing by June 20th: [2025 WADDC Executive Director Evaluation](#).
- Thanks for all of your feedback on our **meeting plans for 2026**. 76% (16 responses) voted to meet two times in person and two times virtually each year, and the top two times selected to meet are April and October. We will talk more about this in SeaTac next month.
- We will vote on the **open Vice Chair position** in July. Please consider whether you'd like to nominate yourself or someone else and let Linda and me know if so. If you plan to nominate someone else, please reach out to them ahead of the July meeting so they have time to consider and prepare to run.

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- Our behavioral health and developmental disabilities conference, now called **BridgeForward** has a name, date and logo! Please save the following dates for this virtual conference: July 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, and either July 31<sup>st</sup> or August 1<sup>st</sup> (you will be asked to choose either 7/31 or 8/1 when you register). Registration will be coming out in June so please stay tuned. And thanks to all of you who are either serving on the Planning Committee or helped us locate Committee members to serve in your network.



- Finally, April **meeting minutes and this message** will be posted to the website early next week. Thank you for your patience!

We are here to answer any questions. Take good care this weekend and thanks for all of your contributions to the DDC!

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