Employment Workgroup Agenda
Governor's Committee on Disability Issues and Employment
October 22, 2026 | 9:00 am – 9:45 am
Zoom link: *GCDE Employment Workgroup Meeting | Zoom*

Meeting Purpose

Plan and align on 2026 Employment Workgroup activities.

Meeting Results

By the end of the meeting, participants will:

- Review revised implementation timeline discussed at last meeting
- Review proposed survey questions for partners
- Review proposed list of partners to contact
- Assignments for next meeting
- Confirm next steps and meeting cadence

Agenda

Time	Agenda Item	Person Responsible
9:00	Call to order / roll call: welcome members	Brit Nuckles, Chair
9:05	Approve agenda and Sept. minutes	Brit Nuckles / All
9:10	Review revised implementation timeline	Brit / All
9:15	Review proposed survey questions for partners	Brit / All
9:25	Review list of partners to contact	Brit / All
9:35	Volunteer roles to support the work: assignments	Brit / All
9:40	Wrap-up: Confirm next steps and meeting cadence	Emily / Brit

Revised implementation timeline

Month	Key Actions
September	Volunteers identified for partner contact list & draft survey questions
October	Review survey questions, partner organizations, and question sets
November	Finalize 8-10 survey questions & partner list. Distribute survey in early November (~1 week deadline, extend if needed).
December	Review initial survey responses. Conduct additional outreach if needed. Next steps will depend on identified information gaps from partners.

Draft outreach language

Dear GCDE partners,
I am excited to reach out to introduce the GCDE Employment Workgroup, share our goals for this year, and invite your input.

The GCDE Employment Workgroup is a standalone workgroup of GCDE. Our work centers on building connections across disability and business communities to help reduce barriers and support people with disabilities in finding and keeping the jobs and careers they want.

As a recently reactivated workgroup, we're excited about the opportunity to shape our direction with input from partners. Our goals for the coming year are:

1. Put together a presentation and/or fact sheet for businesses and other community members about the Washington Law Against Discrimination (WLAD), particularly the disability-related considerations.

2. Gather your feedback on target audiences to reach.

To that end, we have a question for you – where do you see gaps in employer education, training, or awareness?

We'd love to hear your input! **Please complete this survey [insert link] by 11/___/2026 and help us identify knowledge gaps and where to target information.**

Sincerely,
The GCDE Employment Workgroup

List of GCDE Associate Member partners
GCDE Members & Associates

Possible contacts: Human Rights Commission, Chambers of Commerce, advocacy groups