Partner Advisory Boards

Governor’s Council on Disabilities and Special Education
Alaska Mental Health Board
Advisory Board on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse
Alaska Commission on Aging

The statutory Partner Advisory Boards participate in planning, advising, educating, and making recommendations to public officials related to issues that affect people with disabilities. Citizen board members include people with disabilities, service providers and other community representatives, and make recommendations to the Governor, state agencies, Alaska State Legislature, and the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority.

The Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority (Trust), under the Alaska Department of Revenue, manages the Alaska Mental Health Trust, a state fund dedicated to serving Trust beneficiaries. The Trust receives recommendations from multiple partners, including the statutory advisory boards, providers, non-profit and tribal organizations, state agencies, local and tribal governments, and beneficiaries in its planning and expenditure of funds.

**Trust beneficiaries include people with:**

- **Intellectual/Developmental Disorders (I/DD).** Examples include, Cerebral Palsy (CP), Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD), Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD).

- **Behavioral Health Disorders.** Examples include, Mental Illness, Substance Use Disorders, Co-Occurring Disorders, Complex Trauma Disorders.

- **Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Dementia (ADRD).** Examples include, Alzheimer’s disease, Parkinson’s disease, Alcohol-Related Dementia, dementia from head injury, Normal Pressure Hydrocephalus.

- **Traumatic Brain Injury.**