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Agenda

ARPA Advisory Committee Meeting
Tuesday, February 21, 2023
1:30pm

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1. Welcome
2. Public Meeting requirements
3. Approval of minutes of 2/7/2023
4. Update from Committee Co-Chairs
 - Residential Transformation
 - Day Transformation-No Meeting was held
 - DDS Engagement-No meeting was held
 - Individual/Family Engagement
5. Deloitte Presentation:

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6. McDowell Presentation: Newsletter and STEP

7. How to address the issues the advisory committee identified at previous meeting:

- Will there be any money available and budgeted for training as agencies move into providing less restrictive environments?
- Hesitance by DDS to streamline financial matters such as ownership of homes, Shared housing, Shared Living, Families owning property and bring in supports.
 - Shared Housing and Related Party presentation - Peter
- Rent subsidy problems with the HUD guidelines.
- Lack of support for the interim measures from the provider perspective.
- Help people understand how different kinds of funding can be combined to help people create a plan.
- Need to understand the impact of the new rates, need transparency and the staffing shortage is the big stumbling block preventing agencies from moving forward
 - Had Scott present at the last meeting
 - Other items needed

8. Next Meeting- 3/7/2023

9. Adjournment