I. ADAP’s PADD Advisory Council (Council) is established in accordance with federal law\(^1\) in order to provide a voice for individuals with developmental disabilities and to advise ADAP on its program policies and priorities.

II. The Council must be comprised of a majority of individuals with disabilities who are eligible for services, have received or are receiving services, parents, family members, guardians, advocates, or authorized representatives of such individuals.

III. The Council has twelve members, who are appointed by ADAP’s Director with input from the Council and by other stakeholders.

IV. Members’ terms run on calendar years.

V. Members will serve staggered terms.

VI. A member may serve a maximum of two successive two-year terms. After the first two-year term on the Council, ADAP’s Director may reappoint that member for a second two-year term. After serving two successive two-year terms on the Council, an individual must wait two years before being appointed by ADAP’s Director to the Council.

VII. The Council will meet at least three times each year.

VIII. Council members who have two or more unexcused absences per year may be replaced by ADAP’s Director.

IX. Council members who are associated by virtue of employment or contract with an organization or agency that is a named defendant in ADAP litigation may be removed by ADAP’s Director in order to avoid a conflict of interest.

X. Council members will be reimbursed for any travel expenses pursuant to University of Alabama travel guidelines and procedures.

XI. Council members are required to sign a confidentiality form.

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\(^1\) 45 CFR Section 1326.21(g)