

Access to Justice Commission Work Group Descriptions

Work Group	Initial Scope	Chairs	Members
Public Outreach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommend ways to educate the public on legal assistance resources • Investigate the potential for future public hearings • Explore the feasibility of programs such as Lawyers in Libraries and Lawyers in Community Colleges that exist in other states (ME) 	Rob Denson and Nicolle Schippers	
Rural Access	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the nature of the problem-is it a lack of attorneys in rural counties? 	Phil Garland and Elisabeth Reynoldson	
Veterans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What assistance can be provided to help veterans access benefits to which they are entitled? 	Judge Kevin McKeever and Amy Kretkowski	
Language Access	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How can services be improved for those who need access to the court system but do not understand or speak English? 	Bruce Walker and Diana Chavez-Diaz	
Pro bono –Provider Partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to partner with Iowa Legal Aid on its grant • Development of unbundled legal services packet and recruitment of attorneys to provide pro bono or low bono services 	Chris Luzzie and Carol Phillips	

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Corporate Involvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• How to encourage the corporate community to support existing legal service providers• How to expand access to legal services to the corporate workforce	Steve Bradford and Robert Parna	
Case Processing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• How to improve the services the Judicial Branch provides to self-represented litigants• What court rules/policies/procedures should be modified to improve access to the court system?	Judge Artis Reis and Leesa McNeil	
Medical-Legal Partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Can Iowa adopt a model from another state (e.g. Kansas)	Bob Oberbillig and Leslie Kilgannon	