



MEMORANDUM

TO:	NC ABLE Board of Trustees
FROM:	Reid Chisholm, Assistant General Counsel
DATE:	August 12, 2020
SUBJECT:	Legal updates

Program manager contract

Staff has been working with a small group of National ABLE Alliance members on the contract for the Alliance's program manager. The contract with Ascensus, the current program manager, runs through December 6, 2021. The Alliance can terminate the contract early by providing 90 days' notice on or after December 7, 2020. The Alliance is pursuing two options regarding future program manager services: (1) renegotiation of the contract with Ascensus to address some service concerns; and, (2) preparation of a request for proposals (RFP) in case the Alliance decides to explore the possibility of using program managers other than Ascensus. As part of this process, the small group has met with four other program managers to learn about their services and approaches to ABLE programs.