

## Jake Logan

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### Advisory Group Application

#### Step 1

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Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Advisory Groups


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Public Statement

**THIS IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT:** As a candidate for a public advisory group, the information provided will be available to the County Council, County Executive, and the public. All advisory group members are expected to be fair, impartial, and respectful of the public, County staff, and each other. Failure to abide by these expectations may result in revocation of appointment and removal from the appointive position.

Title	Miss
First Name	Kyann
Last Name	Flint
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Do you live in Whatcom County?	Yes
Do you have a different mailing address?	<i>Field not completed.</i>
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Email Address	kyann@maxhigbeecenter.org

## Step 2

1. Name of Advisory Group	Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Compliance Committee
2. Do you meet the residency, employment, and/or affiliation requirements of the position for which you're applying?	Yes
3. Which Council district do you live in?	District 2
4. Have you ever been a member of this Advisory Group	No
5. Do you or your spouse have a financial interest in or are you an employee or officer of any business or agency that does business with Whatcom County?	No
6. Have you declared candidacy (as defined by RCW 42.17A.055) for a paid elected office in any jurisdiction within the county?	No
You may attach a resume or detailed summary of experience, qualifications, & interest in response to the following questions	
7. Please describe your occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities, and education	I am an alumnus of Western Washington University, earning a BA in political science. As the former Director of Accessibility at Wandke Consulting, I consulted with many local businesses. In 2019, I was also a member of the Single-Use Plastic Committee. Today, I am an instructor for the Institute for Critical Disability Studies at Western Washington University, dismantling systemic ableism while empowering my students to be accessible humans. I also work at Max Higbee Center as a recreation leader and mentor, furthering the mission of providing community-based recreation programs for personal growth and enjoyment.
8. Please describe why you're interested in serving on this Advisory Group.	I have been a Bellingham resident for over half my life, watching Bellingham grow and flourish. Now, as an employee of two spaces deeply rooted in Bellingham, I want to further my opportunity to share my experience of being disabled and my

skills of active listening, advocacy, and innovation.  
And, ultimately, I desire for Bellingham to not only be ADA  
compliant but also inclusive to the disabled community.

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References (please include  
daytime telephone  
number):

Riannon Bardsley, [REDACTED]

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Appointment Requirements

I understand and agree

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Signature of applicant:

Kyann Flint

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Place Signed / Submitted

Bellingham, WA

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# Kyann Flint

## Work Experience

Instructor, Western Washington University	September 2024-Present
Create and teach disability studies curricula that fit class objectives.	
Recreational Leader and Mentor, Max Higbee Center	May 2022-Present
Lead in-person/virtual programs for teens/adults with disabilities   Lead groups on community outings   Mentor.	
Director of Accessibility, Access Travel, LLC dba Wandke Consulting	September 2017-January 2023
Created/presented disability-related trainings for nonprofits to multinational corporations   Created/implemented disability-centered educational resources for nonprofits & universities   Sales & marketing   Intern lead.	

## Volunteer Experience

Child Life Practicum, Seattle Children's Hospital	July 2024
Shadowed Certified Child Life Specialist; provided education to & advocated for patients	
Mentor, Morgan Middle School Pilot Mentor Program	April 2024-May 2024
Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Disabilities Trainee (LEND), UW	September 2023-June 2024
In-patient Volunteer, Mary Bridge Children's Hospital	August 2023-April 2024
Interact with patients & their parents   Grow in understanding the importance of patient-centered care.	
Duncan Seminar Planning Committee Member, Seattle Children's Hospital	August 2022-Present
Organized/hosted the 2023 Ableism in Healthcare panel and 2024 Spina Bifida panel for the Duncan Seminar.	
Board Member, Sisu Children's Fund	April 2017-May 2025
Music Camp Volunteer, Skagit Preschool and Resource Center	June-July 2023
Co-treat experience with a board-certified music therapist   Grew in communication with toddlers.	
Mentor, Here Now Next, Here & Now Project, Seattle Children's Hospital	March 2021-December 2023
Designed & implemented pilot program   Mentor transition-aged disabled youth   Lit review   Collect survey data.	
153rd Annual Meeting, American Printing House	October 2021
Planning committee disabled mentee representative.	
Ms. Wheelchair Washington Coordinator, Ms. Wheelchair America Inc.	January 2019-January 2022
Empowered women who use a wheelchair to further their platform   Hosted 3 Ms. Wheelchair Washington competitions   Lead fundraisers   Assisted titleholder in securing events & reaching their fundraiser goals.	
Single-Use Plastic Committee, Bellingham City Council	2019-2021
Represented the disability community in writing two whereas statements for Ordinance NO. 2021-05-023.	
Administrative Assistant Intern/Community Peer, Max Higbee Center	May-August 2016
Organized medical & contact information   Accompanied members on community outings   Grew in understanding that all humans deserve dignity & respect.	
Classroom Assistant Volunteer, Bellingham High School, Special Education	January-June 2016
Lead a self-advocacy workshop   Shared math tips & tricks   Rephrased ambiguous wording on assignments/tests.	
Mentor, Compass2Campus, Shuksan Middle school, WWU	April 2014-June 2014

## Education

Master of Science   Child Development & Family Science	Summer Quarter, 2024
Central Washington University, Ellensburg, Washington   GPA: 4.0	
Bachelor of Arts   Humanities & Social Sciences	Winter Quarter, 2015
Western Washington University, Bellingham, Washington   GPA: 3.3	

## **Certifications & Skills**

CPR / AED / First-Aid, National CPR Foundation

Certified June 2024

Basic sign language & conversational Spanish | Knowledge of assistive technologies, disability rights, laws, & models.

## **Honors**

Outstanding Academic Achievement, Child Development & Family Science

2023-2024

Ms. Wheelchair America, 2<sup>nd</sup> runner-up (out of 26 state titleholders)

August 2017

Awarded Inaugural “Emerging Leader Award”

Ms. Wheelchair Washington 2017 Titleholder

March 2017-January 2018

Earned title per accomplishments, advocacy work, & knowledge of disability rights & laws | Represented the disability community at the State Capital, schools, & as a guest speaker at disability-related events.

## **References**

**Riannon Bardsley** | Executive Director, Max Higbee Center | [riannon@maxhigbeecenter.org](mailto:riannon@maxhigbeecenter.org) | (360) 746-7181

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