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Karl is the designee of the Disability Action Center-Northwest (DAC), a bi-state independent living center (ILC) with administrative offices in Moscow, Idaho. Karl is the NPIP Board Vice Chair. He is the longest serving Board member. Karl is the Chair of the NPIP Legislative Committee which helped advise the Senate Law and Justice Committee while they drafted a complete rewrite of the laws governing the operation of Washington's registered non-profit corporations. The re-write, now RCW 24.03A, was passed by the 2021 Legislature. The Legislative Committee plans to be active in the drafting of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) for the RCW.

Karl has a skill and experience set in risk management which makes him a valuable NPIP Board member. First, his connection to a NPIP member agency is unique; all of the other NPIP Board members are employees of member agencies. Karl believes that his volunteer DAC Board position gives him an important perspective when NPIP balances budgets while maintaining its philosophy, outstanding support services, and comprehensive insurance coverage. DAC is one of the few NPIP member agencies that provides services in two or more states, with offices in Spokane, WA and in Post Falls, Moscow, and Lewiston, Idaho.

The second major asset to NPIP is that Karl worked for 31 years as the Executive Director of the Council on Aging & Human Services, a bi-state nonprofit multi-service agency with regional offices in Colfax, Washington. The CoA&HS was one of the first agencies that joined NPIP just after the program was authorized by the legislature. Third, Karl has experience as a private consultant. His firm, Magnus Mobility Management (M3), has given him opportunities to research and analyze nonprofit management and risk management issues across the Us, particularly those related to rural transportation programs. One of M3's contracts was with the WA Department of Commerce, now Enterprise Services, which oversees the operation of NPIP. The two-year contract was to teach non-profit operations and risk management to 120 WA CEOs and CFOs. The fourth asset is that Karl has a PhD in Experiential Education from Columbia Pacific University. His PhD area of study involved establishing national risk management standards for outdoor adventure programs.

Karl has 54 years of collegiate and high school experience as a football, basketball, and soccer referee, and community organizer of sports officials. He currently serves on the Washington Officials Association (WOA) Board, elected to represent Region 6, which consists of nine eastern Washington counties.