

**Statewide ADRC Steering Committee Meeting  
Notes from 9/11/08 Meeting**

1. The Aging Services Division applied for two ADRC grant funding opportunities offered by the Administration on Aging as well as the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services over the course of the summer.
2. A re-cap of CT's ADRC progress & needs took place.
3. Thirteen Committee Members submitted ADRC Readiness Assessment Tool Surveys over the course of the summer. The information will be used by the Aging Services Division to help each interested party with technical assistance over the next several years in preparation for future ADRC development in CT.
4. Results of the Lewin Terminology Survey were shared with the group. Eleven members completed the survey. The Committee agreed, based on the results & feedback received during the ensuing discussion, that the following terms should be avoided by ADRC staff: handicapped, old, wheelchair-bound, mental retardation, "managed" when referring to people, feeble, retarded, cripple, frail, honey, dear, sweetheart. The group agreed that all language used should be clear, respectful, accurate, empowering, sensitive and in a "people first" language format.
5. The South Central CT Pilot ADRC updated the Committee on progress to date.
6. Frequency of statewide meetings will now move to a quarterly basis versus a monthly basis, based on feedback from the group. In addition a new ADRC Operating Protocols Workgroup will now form to focus on the development of CT's ADRC Operating Protocols. Only four members responded over the summer to the draft protocols. Please contact the Statewide ADRC Coordinator if interested in participating in this workgroup.