

January 13, 2011

Senator Donald E. Williams, Jr.  
President Pro Tempore  
Legislative Office Building  
Room 3300  
Hartford, CT 06106

Dear Senator Williams,

I am pleased to present you with the completed Report of the Advisory Committee for Services Under Programs Administered by the CT Department of Developmental Services. The committee was convened pursuant to the provisions of Section 578 of Public Act 09-3(SSS) and Section 4-1a of the Connecticut General Statutes. It was a pleasure to serve with Senator Harris as co-chair of this committee.

On behalf of the committee, we thank you for your understanding and appreciation of the problems and concerns of the non-profit provider community. While the committee could not immediately resolve the problems, the report provides a better understanding of how we arrived at the present state. And the recommendations, if implemented, can help build the necessary foundation to resolve the inequities over the long-term.

You have received an electronic version of the report and Executive Summary. The full report and working documents are also available on the DDS website. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or would like to discuss the report or any other matter in greater detail.

Thank you again for all your work on behalf of the non-profit provider community. I look forward to continue working with you and the entire legislature to support and enhance the human service safety net for the people we serve.

Sincerely,

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