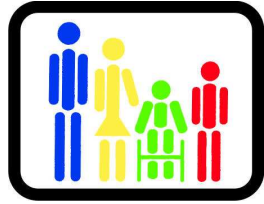


Meeting with Mike Hansen APD Executive Director

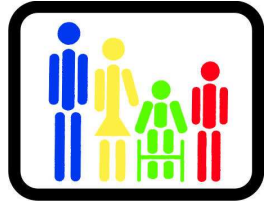
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Including Phil Pearson, Deborah
Linton, Dixie Sansom



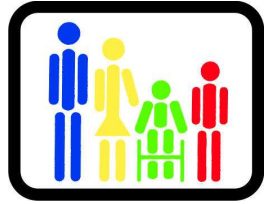
Meeting with Senator Thrasher on 7/19/11

- Intro – Phil Pearson, father of 37 year old son who is on the wait-list.
- Introduced him to the medicaid waiver and what it means
- Introduced him to the Family Care Council and how we represent the families in advocating for the developmentally disabled
- Introduced him to the waiver wait-list and the current lawsuit
- Left him with the fact that there are about 2000 individuals with DD that are in crisis or have caregivers that are over 70. At avg. cost of \$35 K per person per year, it would cost about \$70 Million to support these folks. Fed pays about half so the bill drops to about \$35 Million



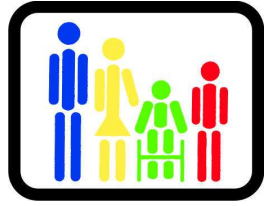
Housekeeping

- Thanks to Susan Chen (APD) for providing the data that we use and please provide us with frequent updates.
- Please help us get new FCC applicants approved more quickly
- Recognize role that FCC plays representing families and include us in plans and brainstorming
- Pass the word to local offices to support fundraising efforts of local FCC's to help those on the wait-list and in need – there is some pushback from area offices against fundraising
- Improve communications, including input from local area offices
- The new I-budget handbook proposal needs to show the new priority categories for coming off of the wait-list and onto the waiver as in 393
- FCCF and the Arc of Florida have a very close partnership and are in “sync” on all major issues affecting our population



Waitlist

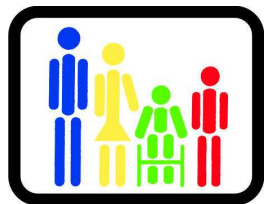
- Need to introduce legislation to create a wait-list study committee
- Implement the recommendations of the study committee with regards to long term planning and funding for individuals on the wait-list
- Need to make good use of available Social Security Block Grant funds to support families on the wait-list. Money is turned back every year.
- Need to introduce legislation to pay for crisis and people whose caregivers are over 70. It is cruel and unusual punishment to let elderly caregivers go to their grave not knowing how their children will be taken care of.



I-Budget Waiver Enrollment

3. Waiver Enrollment

- A. When the level of funding annually appropriated by the Florida Legislature provides funding for additional enrollment, recipients will be added to the waiver in the following order, unless otherwise specified in the Appropriations Act:
- (1) Individuals determined, pursuant to Chapter 65G-1, F.A.C., to be in crisis shall have first priority for services.
 - (2) Children on the wait list who are from the child welfare system with an open case in the Department of Children and Family Services' statewide automated child welfare information system.
 - (3) All other individuals shall be considered for enrollment on the waiver in the date order in which they are listed on the statewide wait list, beginning with the earliest dates.



Waitlist Priorities 393.065

- (5) Except as otherwise directed by law, beginning July 1, 2010, the agency shall assign and provide priority to clients waiting for waiver services in the following order:
- (a) Category 1, which includes clients deemed to be in crisis as described in rule.
 - (b) Category 2, which includes children on the wait list who are from the child welfare system with an open case in the Department of Children and Family Services' statewide automated child welfare information system.
 - (c) Category 3, which includes, but is not required to be limited to, clients:
 - 1. Whose caregiver has a documented condition that is expected to render the caregiver unable to provide care within the next 12 months and for whom a caregiver is required but no alternate caregiver is available;
 - 2. At substantial risk of incarceration or court commitment without supports;
 - 3. Whose documented behaviors or physical needs place them or their caregiver at risk of serious harm and other supports are not currently available to alleviate the situation; or
 - 4. Who are identified as ready for discharge within the next year from a state mental health hospital or skilled nursing facility and who require a caregiver but for whom no caregiver is available.
 - (d) Category 4, which includes, but is not required to be limited to, clients whose caregivers are 70 years of age or older and for whom a caregiver is required but no alternate caregiver is available.
 - (e) Category 5, which includes, but is not required to be limited to, clients who are expected to graduate within the next 12 months from secondary school and need support to obtain or maintain competitive employment, or to pursue an accredited program of postsecondary education to which they have been accepted.
 - (f) Category 6, which includes clients 21 years of age or older who do not meet the criteria for category 1, category 2, category 3, category 4, or category 5.
 - (g) Category 7, which includes clients younger than 21 years of age who do not meet the criteria for category 1, category 2, category 3, or category 4.