

Developmental Services Stakeholders COC Group Recommendations:

- 1. That the service providers and families participate in a pilot roll-out in March 2015 (as soon as possible). This would include real life client situations/levels to demonstrate how the SIS would meet individual members' needs. Gary Wolcott would be an integral part of this pilot assessment.**
- 2. That the timeline for this roll out be laid out very concretely for families, to include such things as: every point they would have an opportunity for feedback/input, when draft rules are posted, process for enactment, notification process, planning period before enactment, financial pieces—work support/community/residential. This group is very concerned that this be provided clearly so families can give their feedback and ask questions before the final rules are adopted.**
- 3. That the Department extend the planning time to insure that we are able to get providers prepared but more importantly that individuals and families are adequately prepared for this monumental transition in service delivery.**
- 4. That the Department and providers prepare members. Much of the discussion has been about professionals being prepared while individual members, who are the ones impacted, will also have to understand what is happening and their options.**
- 5. That this group and the Maine Parent Coalition receive an alert when proposed rules are posted and ready for comment/questions.**
- 6. That families be provided a contact for their SIS questions---would that be Jen Fales or others in addition?**
- 7. That there are outlined processes for appeal—when and what can be appealed. Will there be a stay clause?**
- 8. That there are outlined processes for SIS Assignment. Under what conditions can you ask for a reconsideration of the SIS level assignment.**
- 9. That the Department and providers continue to assess capacity for Section 29 with 500 members joining by June 2015.**
- 10. That there be ongoing assessment of the capacity statewide and gaps in this so it can be addressed proactively.**
- 11. If there is a systemic type of member/group of members that does not seem to fit this paradigm of service delivery, that the Department's plan be reviewed with this group.**