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FY15 Accomplishments

- New staff, Rich Sanders, Planner!
- Updates from Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) regarding housing and people with disabilities (monthly)
- Hosted guest speakers (Feb 4) from Division of Health Care Services to talk about new Alaska Medicaid Coordinated Care Initiative (AMCCI)
- Attended AADD face-to-face meeting, Juneau, Feb 18
- Submitted comment (Feb 26) on SDS transition plan on settings (Medicaid final rule)

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FY15 Accomplishments, Cont.

- Supported, and participated in, Key Campaign 28 in Juneau, Feb 19-20
- Participated in AHFC's fair housing survey steering committee
- Conducted housing barriers project with Stone Soup Group (focus groups, interviews, survey). Results available soon!
- Hosted guest speakers (Mar 4) from tribal health to talk about telepractice in Alaska. Request came from them for the Council to consider a Telepractice Ad Hoc Committee

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FY15 Accomplishments, Cont.

- Participated in Conflict-Free Case Management (CFCM) stakeholder meetings, webinars, trainings, and community forums
- Provided comment on AHFC's 5-year Consolidated Housing Plan (April 7)
- Co-sponsored Fair Housing Accessibility Training for designers and builders with HUD and AHFC (April 29)
- Trust updates on Medicaid expansion and other changes (monthly)

5-Year Plan Goals & Objectives

Advocacy & Leadership

Goal 1.1 The Council, in collaboration with the Center for Human Development and the Disability Law Center of Alaska, will assist and support a statewide self-advocacy organization led by individuals with developmental disabilities and support opportunities for self-advocates to participate in public policymaking.

- **1.1.2** Continue to support and participate in the Key Campaign, an annual advocacy effort with the Legislature led by the Key Coalition.
- **1.1.3** Continue to support Partners in Policymaking (PIP) at the Center for Human Development (CHD).

5-Year Plan Goals & Objectives

Community Choice and Supports

- **Goal 2.1 Advocate for a minimum of 5 new or amended state or public programs, policies, or practices per year that promote consumer choice, flexibility, and control of services**
 - **2.1.1** Advocate for a “Living Wage” for Direct Service Professionals (DSPs)
 - **2.1.2** Explore the use of technology and tele-practices as a way to increase services in rural communities
 - **2.1.3** Review the process of the I/DD Registration and Review (i.e. “Waitlist”) through the I/DD Registration and Review Workgroup (including FASD eligibility).
 - **2.1.5** Review the CMS guidelines for HCBS Settings and Other Requirements (issued by CMS on 1/13/2014) and comment on SDS’s implementation plan

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5-Year Plan Goals & Objectives

Housing

- **Goal 3.1 Advocate for a minimum of 2 new or amended state or public programs, policies, or practices that increase accessible, affordable housing per year.**
 - **3.1.1** Define the use of assistive home technology that increases the independence of individuals with disabilities.
 - **3.1.2** Identify availability of supported housing for individuals with co-occurring disorders
 - **3.1.3** Conduct survey of providers, self-advocates and families on housing barriers and issues that affect person with I/DD

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5-Year Plan Goals & Objectives

Health

Goal 8.1 Advocate for a minimum of 5 new or amended state or public programs, policies, or practices each year that improve health and well-being

- **8.1.1** Research and make recommendations to the State of Alaska on the re-use and recycling of durable medical equipment and assistive technologies purchased by state entities such as Medicaid, DVR, the Trust, AHFC and Special Education
- **8.1.4** Address health care access issues such as chiropractic care for people with disabilities over 21
- **8.1.5** Develop recommendations for streamlining Medicare and Medicaid prior authorizations

Recommended Priorities for FY16

Community Choice and Supports

1. Advocate for a living wage for Direct Service Professionals (DSPs).
2. Explore the use of technology and telepractice as a way to increase services in rural communities & reform Medicaid.
3. Review new CMS guidelines, final rules, and other Medicaid changes in the state to provide recommendations and comment, in conjunction with the Medicaid ad hoc committee.

Recommended Priorities for FY16, cont'd.

Housing

4. Complete study of providers, self-advocates, and families on housing barriers and issues that affect persons with I/DDs.
5. Provide comment and input into AHFC's and the Municipality of Anchorage's Housing and Community Development Plans.

Health

6. Provide input and make recommendations and public comment on regulation packages for the new Medicaid re-use and recycling program of durable medical equipment and assistive technologies.

Discussion and Selection of FY16 Priorities

