

**GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL EDUCATION  
FY07 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COMMITTEE WORKPLAN**

Five Year Plan Goals	
<b>Self-Determination</b>	People have choice, flexibility and control over the services and supports they receive.
<b>Employment</b>	People get and keep employment consistent with their interests and abilities.
<b>Housing</b>	People live in accessible, affordable and safe homes in the community.
<b>Health</b>	People are healthy and benefit from the full range of needed health care services.
<b>Lifelong Learning</b>	Children receive prevention and early intervention services. Students reach their educational goals, hopes, and dreams
<b>Community Participation</b>	Every individual is a valued, participating member of his or her community.

I. GOAL: Accurately define unmet service needs among people with developmental disabilities to establish a basis for advocacy and planning.			
ACTIVITY	WHO	TIMELINE	STATUS
A. Improve the data collection system <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Continue to coordinate and lead the efforts of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Waitlist to improve the DD Waitlist data system and obtain accurate information on service needs.</li> <li>2. Develop management and policy recommendations for:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A tiered system for the DD Waitlist</li> <li>• Maintaining DD Grant services for individuals not eligible for Waivers</li> <li>• Transitions from CCMC to APD waivers</li> <li>• Directing DD eligible people who meet APD level of care to the Long-Term Care Unit.</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. Request quarterly statistics on the number and expenditures of waivers and state grant-funded services.</li> </ol>	Kathy Fitzgerald, Council staff, Ad Hoc Committee on the Waitlist  Ad Hoc Committee on the Waitlist	June 2007	In process, continuing

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<p>B. Inform the legislature and the administration about the status of people on the waitlist, and those who have received services as a result of the FY07 increment.</p> <p>1. Coordinate with the Key Coalition to encourage people who have been drawn for services to attend the Key Campaign to thank the legislature.</p>	<p>Council members and staff</p> <p>Key Coalition AADD</p>	<p>November 2006 – May 2007</p> <p>January – May 2007</p>	<p>In process</p>
<p>C. Continue the work of the Ad Hoc Committee on Autism Spectrum Disorders to develop support for the recommendations for the legislature and administration</p> <p>1. Educate the new administration about the Ad Hoc Committee recommendations</p> <p>2. Present preliminary recommendations to the Senate and House HES Committees</p>	<p>Ad Hoc Committee on Autism</p> <p>Council members, Ad Hoc Committee members Council members and staff</p>	<p>On-going</p> <p>November 2006 – June 2007 January 2007</p>	<p>Presented to Medical Care Advisory Committee 10/06</p>
<p><b>II. GOAL: Promote the establishment of a comprehensive, outcome-based fiscal and programmatic quality assurance system.</b></p>			
<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<b>WHO</b>	<b>TIMELINE</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
<p>A. Work with DSDS to assess and make recommendations for a meaningful QA process and system.</p> <p>1. Review the Program Standards, protocol and training standards used by Northern Community Resources in conducting QA site reviews and QA monitoring</p> <p>2. Conduct planning to reinstate a QA system that includes peer site visits.</p> <p>3. Place QA on the monthly DD Committee agendas</p>	<p>DD Committee DSDS</p>	<p>June 2007</p>	<p>Carol Downey, DSDS spoke to the DD Committee in Dec. about the QA grant.</p>
<p>B, Work with AADD to develop QA standards</p>	<p>Maxwell Mercer, Kathy Fitzgerald, Kathy Allely, Gwen Lee, Steve Lesko</p>	<p>June 2007</p>	
<p>C. Monitor the state care coordination pilot project</p>			

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<b>III. GOAL: Support, monitor and track Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority Focus Areas</b>			
<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<b>WHO</b>	<b>TIMELINE</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
A. Participate in the Bring the Kids Home workgroup and report monthly on any significant issues.	AMHTA, partners, Kathy Allely, Millie Ryan	On-going	Continuing
B. Participate in the Trust Beneficiary Group Initiatives and report monthly on any significant issues.	AMHTA, partners, Kathy Fitzgerald, Carl Evertsbusch, Richard Rainery, Millie Ryan	On-going	Continuing
C. Participate in the Disability Justice Workgroup and report monthly on any significant issues.	AMHTA, partners, Karen Ward, Millie Ryan, Richard Rainery	On-going	Continuing
D. Participate in the Housing Workgroup and report monthly on any significant issues.	AMHTA, partners, Millie Ryan, Bryan Knight	On-going	Continuing
E. Participate in the Workforce Development Workgroup and report monthly on any significant issues.	AMHTA, partners, Millie Ryan, Heidi Frost	On-going	Continuing
<b>IV. GOAL: Track and monitor the Medicaid/Medicare system</b>			
<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<b>WHO</b>	<b>TIMELINE</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
A. Participate in the Medicaid Task Force to track, monitor, and advocate for Medicaid reform that holds harmless Trust beneficiaries 1. Monitor the Senate Finance Committee's Medicaid Study and any subsequent legislation	AMHTA, five boards, Kathy Allely, Kathy Fitzgerald	On-going, as needed	In process
B. Participate in the Steering Committee for the Trust Medicaid Study	AMHTA, five boards, Kathy Fitzgerald, Kathy Allely	On-going, as needed	Study was awarded to Information Insights.
C. Coordinate advocacy efforts with the Key Coalition	Kathy Fitzgerald, Kathy Allely, Karolina Bednarska	October 2006 – May 2007	In process

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D. Continue to monitor travel for Medicaid for both in-state (ground) and out-of-state travel	Medical Care Advisory Committee, DD Committee	On-going	Met with Jeri Powers re forming a small work group to survey selected Medicaid recipients
D. Advocate for increased reimbursement rate for Medicare as it affects access to medical care 1. Bring the issue of Medicare physician shortage to the attention of the public.	Bryan Knight		

AADD = Alaska Association on Developmental Disabilities  
AADSC = Alaska Alliance for Direct Service Careers  
AMHTA = Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority  
DSDS = Division of Senior and Disability Services