

Public Hearing Testimony Concerning the
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Assembly Budget Committee – March 28, 2006

Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee – April 3, 2006

Maureen Babula, Mother of child with Down Syndrome, The ARC of New Jersey
Joan Bermingham, advocate, National MS Society
Dana Berry, Executive Director, Starting Points for Children, Inc.
Frank X. Caragher, Executive Director, The ARC of Union County
Dr. Lorraine Cooke, Public Policy Chair, New Jersey Association for the Education of Young Children
Shelby Coyne, Vice-Chair, Bergen County Human Services Advisory Council
Valerie Dargan, Ph.D., Director, Bergen County Department of Human Services
Krystal DeNaro, student, Passaic County Elks Cerebral Palsy High School
Creighton Drury, Vice President, New Jersey Community Development Corporation
Lorraine D'Sylva-Lee, parent and caregiver, speaking in support of the Division of Developmental Disabilities
Matthew Farley, student, Passaic County Elks Cerebral Palsy High School
Cindy Herdman Ivins, Executive Director, Family Service Association of New Jersey
Suzanne Ianni, Executive Director, Hospital Alliance of New Jersey
Kia Jones, student, Passaic County Elks Cerebral Palsy High School
Jim Lape, Vice President, Trinitas Hospital
Alan Lieber, Chief Operating Officer, Overlook Hospital/Atlantic Health System
Phillip Lubitz, Director of Advocacy Programs, NAMI New Jersey
Anthony Lucibello, President, New Jersey Psychiatric Rehabilitation Association
Joseph A. Masciandaro, President and Chief Executive Officer, Care Plus NJ, Inc.
John McGee, President and Chief Executive Officer, Solaris Health System
Melitza Morales, student, Passaic County Elks Cerebral Palsy High School
Raymond Ocasio, Executive Director, La Casa De Don Pedro
Lucille Richards, Chief Operating Officer, Visiting Nurse Association of Central Jersey
Arlene Romoff, trustee, Hearing Loss Association of New Jersey
William Testa, Executive Director, ARC/ Morris Chapter
Ken Wessel, Executive Director, HomeCare Options
Dr. William G. Weiss, Executive Director, Passaic County Elks Cerebral Palsy High School
Sue Williamson, Chairperson, New Jersey Child Care Advisory Council
Cecilia Zalkind, Executive Director and Sheldon Presser, Senior Policy Analyst, Association for Children of New Jersey

Assembly Budget Committee – April 4, 2006

Paul Amitrani, Community Member, Hemophilia Association of New Jersey
Lowell Arye, Executive Director, Alliance for the Betterment of Citizens with Disabilities
Laurie A. Clark, Director of Governmental Affairs, Garden State Pharmacy Owners
Frank X. Caragher, Executive Director, The ARC of Union County
Kelli Cochran-West, Director of Community Relations, Mental Health Association in Southwestern New Jersey
Diane Conway, Executive Director, New Jersey Association of Community Providers
Anne Marie Cooke, Senior External Relations Officer, Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic

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Suzanne Dalton, State Governmental Affairs Committee/President, The ARC of Gloucester County
Francis Dolan, Executive Director, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Trenton
Creighton Drury, Vice President, New Jersey Community Development Corporation
Evelyn Falardeau, representing Mercer County Human Services Advisory Council Child Care Planning Committee
Lizzie Fowler, Vice President, Consumer Advisor Committee at Alternatives, Inc.
Dr. Richard Goldstein, President and Chief Executive Officer, New Jersey Council of Teaching Hospitals
Katherine Grant-Davis, Executive Director, New Jersey Primary Care Association
Cindy Herdman Ivins, Executive Director, Family Service Association of New Jersey
Suzanne Ianni, Executive Director, Hospital Alliance of New Jersey
Dawn Marie Jagers, Parent and supporter of Atlantic Cape Family Support Organization
Abby Jaroslow, Chair, Regional Family Support Planning Council #5
Carol Kientz, Executive Director, Home Care Association of New Jersey
Sue Kozel, Registered Lobbyist, The National Multiple Sclerosis Society
Reverend Joseph Kukura, President, Catholic Healthcare Partnership of New Jersey
Jennifer A. Langer, Director, Community and Governmental Relations, Amerigroup Corporation
Marlene Lao-Collins, Associate Director for Social Concerns, New Jersey Catholic Conference
James Lape, Vice President, Trinitas Hospital
Alan Lieber, Chief Operating Officer, Overlook Hospital
Phillip Lubitz, Director of Advocacy Programs, NAMI New Jersey, the National Alliance on Mental Illness
Jason Marcy, Family Member, Atlantic Cape Family Support Organization, Inc.
Brett Mosgowsky, Owner, Advantage Therapy Centers
John McGee, President and Chief Executive Officer, Solaris Health System
Thomas Murphy, President, Health Professionals and Allied Employees, Local 5094
Robert Nass, Assistant Executive Director, Devereux, New Jersey Treatment Network
Krystal Odell, President and Chief Executive Officer, Allies, Inc.
Richard O'Grady, Executive Director, New Jersey Association of Children's Residential Facilities
Michael Prendergast, Chairperson, Governmental Affairs Committee, New Jersey Association of Persons in Supported Employment
Lucille Richards, Nurse and Chief Operating Officer, Visiting Association of Central Jersey
Vincent Robbins, President and Chief Executive Officer, The Monmouth Ocean Hospital Service Corporation
Elizabeth Ryan, Chief Operating Officer and General Counsel, New Jersey Hospital Association
Daniel Santo Pietro, Executive Director, Hispanic Directors Association of New Jersey
Thomas Spadaro, Consumer, Personal Assistant Services Program Advisory Council
Heidi Stokes, Director of Government Affairs, Independent Pharmacy Alliance of America, Inc.
Barbara Strickarz, Vice President School and Residence Programs, CPC Behavior Healthcare
William Testa, Executive Director, The ARC/Morris County
Nancy Thomson, President, New Jersey Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies
Jim Wallace, Senior Vice President for Advocacy and Institutional Advancement, Lourdes Health System
Suzanne Williamson, Chair, New Jersey Child Care Advisory Council
Debra Wentz, PhD., Chief Executive Officer, New Jersey Association of Mental Health Agencies, Inc.
Cecilia Zalkind, Executive Director and Sheldon Presser, Senior Policy Analyst, Association for Children of New Jersey
Deborah K. Zastocki, President and Chief Executive Officer, Chilton Memorial Hospital

Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee Human Services – April 5, 2006

Lowell Arye, Executive Director, Alliance for the Betterment of Citizens with Disabilities
Jean Alan Bestafka, Executive Director, Home Health Services and Staffing Association
Elsa Candelario, Executive Director, Hispanic Family Center of Southern New Jersey
Laurie A. Clark, Director of Government Affairs, Garden State Pharmacy Owners
Diane Conway, Executive Director, New Jersey Association of Community Providers
Fred Doerr, speaking in support of services for the disabled
Francis Dolan, Executive Director, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Trenton
Dr. Richard Goldstein, President and Chief Executive Officer, New Jersey Council of Teaching Hospitals
Katherine Grant-Davis, Executive Director, New Jersey Primary Care Association
Jennifer Joyce, Vice President, New Jersey Association of Persons in Supported Employment
Carol Kientz, Executive Director, Home Care Association of New Jersey
Reverend Joseph Kukura, President, Catholic Healthcare Partnership of New Jersey
Jennifer A. Langer, Director, Community and Governmental Relations, Amerigroup Corporation
Marlene Lao-Collins, Associate Director for Social Concerns, New Jersey Catholic Conference
Nichole LoPresti, Manager of Government Relations, Chamber of Commerce Southern New Jersey
Patricia McKernan, Chief Operating Officer, Volunteers of America, Delaware Valley
Sister Donna Minster, Executive Director, Camden County Division for Children
Brett Mosgowsky, Owner, Advantage Therapy Centers
Thomas Murphy, President, Health Professionals and Allied Employees, Local 5094
Krystal Odell, President and Chief Executive Officer, Allies, Inc.
Elizabeth Ryan, Chief Operating Officer and General Counsel, New Jersey Hospital Association
Daniel Santo Pietro, Executive Director, Hispanic Directors Association of New Jersey
Scott Simpkins, Consumer Advisory Council, Personal Assistance Services Program
Heidi Stokes, Director of Government Affairs, Independent Pharmacy Alliance of America, Inc.
Katherine Vaczi, speaking on behalf of the Personal Assistance Services Program
Richard Vogel, President, Hemophilia Association of New Jersey
James C. Wallace, Senior Vice President, Advocacy and Institutional Advancement for Lourdes Health System
Debra Wentz, Ph.D., Chief Executive Officer, New Jersey Association of Mental Health Agencies, Inc.

Assembly Budget Committee – April 11, 2006

Abigail Caplovitz, Legislative Advocate, New Jersey Public Interest Research Group
Meighan Davis, Organizer, New Jersey Alliance for Quality in Long Term Care
Thomas Grady, Director of Advocacy and Public Affairs, Brain Injury Association of New Jersey, Inc.
Anthony Lucibello, President, New Jersey Psychiatric Rehabilitation Association
Tom Toronto, Chairman, New Jersey 2-1-1- Partnership

Mailed in Testimony

Kola Adetola, Chief Financial Officer, United Cerebral Palsy of Hudson County
Alison Badgett, Mercer Alliance to End Homelessness
Carolyn Beauchamp, President and Chief Executive Officer, Mental Health Association in New Jersey
Yvonne Wesley, RN, Independent Health Consultant
Susan Wiest, Administrator, Spring Oak Assisted Living