

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

**Assembly Budget Committee – Human Services April 4, 2006 Continued**

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