

Real Lives Advisory Committee
January 9, 2015 Agenda

Welcome and Introductions

*Nancy Alterio, Chairperson and Executive Director of the Disabled
Persons Protection Commission*

Elin Howe, Commissioner, Department of Developmental Services

Introduction to the Real Lives Bill

*Victor Hernandez, Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Department of
Developmental Services*

Review of Hand-outs

- DDS Self Determination Policy
- Implementing the Principles of Participant Direction in Everyday Lives – State Advisory Committee Presentation, November 14, 2008
- Summary of DDS Report to the Governor and Legislature, Implementation of a Self-Determination Model at the Department of Developmental Services, July 2009
- The Massachusetts Medicaid Home and Community – Based Waiver Program “Choice Portability, Provider Selection” June 23, 2010
- DDS Self-Directed Supports Pilot 2012-2013
- Real Lives Bill August 6, 2014

Orientation to DDS Self-directed Support Programs

Brad Keddal- Director of Program Development

Anne Fracht- Mass Advocates Standing Strong Chairperson and participant

Sue Adams and Karla Murphy- participants

Marc Fenton- President, Public Partnerships

- Defining self-determination and self-directed supports. National trends and history within DDS
- Promoting Choice and Control
- The Participant Directed Program; How it works
- The difference between self- directed supports and provider directed supports
- The role of the FMS; introduction to Public Partnerships
- The role of the DDS Support Broker/ Service Coordinator
- DDS Pilot on Self Directed Supports; Findings, recommendations, Implementation and Next Steps
- Questions