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FY17 Quarter One Report On The DDS Services for Newly Eligible Individuals with Autism, Smith- Magenis Syndrome, and Prader-Willi Syndrome



The Honorable Karen E. Spilka, Chair
Senate Committee on Ways and Means
State House, Room 212
Boston, MA 02133

The Honorable Brian S. Dempsey, Chair
House Committee on Ways and Means
State House, Room 243
Boston, MA 02133


Dear Chairwoman Spilka and Chairman Dempsey:

Line item 5920-3020 of Chapter 165 of the Acts of 2016 requires that the "...department shall submit a quarterly report to the house and senate committees on ways and means on the number of individuals served, type of services provided and the cost per individual..."

The Department of Developmental Services has been working diligently to implement the expanded eligibility requirements which were signed into Law in August 2014. The Department has designed a number of new materials including new applications, fact sheets, and assessment processes to support this expansion. To support the eligibility changes, DDS has trained its Regional Eligibility Teams in these new activities. Most importantly, the Department of Developmental Services has new regulations, pending promulgation, that provide the administrative framework for the statute.

As of 9/30/16, 890 adults (18+) have been found DDS eligible with 855 as adult Autism eligible and 5 adult Prader Willi eligible. Many of these individuals are currently still in school, are exploring DDS services or are not requesting DDS services at this time. 410 are receiving a total of 1,243 services broken out on the following chart, with many receiving more than one service. To date, the average Fy17 cost per individual is \$19,011.

Sincerely,


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Total # Receiving Services (Cumulative)	410
Adult Autism Services Enrolled (Age 18+)	Q1
3150 SHARED LIVING/HOME SHARE	11
3153 RESIDENTIAL SUPPORTS	19
3163 COMMUNITY BASED DAY SUPPORTS	95
3168 EMPLOYMENT SUPPORTS	114
3170 CLINICAL TEAM	10
3180 CEIS-COMPETITIVE INTEG EMP SRV	15
3181GROUP SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT	56
3182 RESPITE FACILITY	5
3196 TRANSPORTATION	61
3285 DAY HAB SUPPLEMENT	8
3700 FAMILY SUPPORT NAVIGATION	91
3703 INDIVIDUAL HOME SUPPORTS	59
3707 ADULT COMPANION	25
3731Respite in Recipient's Home	48
3759 RESPITE - ADULT - SITE-BASED	2
3770 FAMILY SUPPORT CENTERS	66
3779 STIPENDS	141
3780 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE	24
3781FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ADMIN	113
3798 INDIV SUPPORT AND COMM HAB	69
5300 NON-WAIVER	15
5400 NON -WAIVER FINANCIAL	18
5703 INDIVIDUAL HOME SUPPORTS - SO	15
57041INDIVIDUAL DAY SUPPORTS- SO	12
5710 BEHAVIORAL SUPP&CONSULT-SO	6
5728 INDIVIDUAL GOODS AND SERVICES	29
6703 INDIVIDUAL HOME SUPPORTS.AWC	22
6704 INDIVIDUAL DAY SUPPORTS- AWC	15
6707 ADULT COMPANION- AWC	10
6753 AGENCY WITH CHOICE ADMIN FEE	38
6780 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE- AWC	31
Total # Services Provided	1243