

Appropriations Health sub-committee Working Group

Department of Developmental Services Questions and Answers

Resulting from the Department's Appropriations testimony on February 21, 2025

1. How many people does the PCA agreement cover? (Total DDS PCAs)

As of February 21, 2025, there were 6,258 active PCAs enrolled with the FI for DDS-funded services.

2. How many staff currently work at Southbury Training School (STS)?

- There are currently 395 full time and 35 part time staff working at STS.
- The current STS Census is 97, with three of those individuals in active transition to a CLA.
- There are a total of 120 buildings on the STS campus; at present, 45 of them are still in use or operational.

3. Provide breakdown of changes driving the Provide Funding for Residential and Day Services write-up. (Nick explained it verbally, if we can just get it in writing).

SID 16108 FY26

Total Adjustments: \$20.4 million

- Annualize FY 2025 Private Provider Increase \$7.3 million
- Annualize PCA Collective Bargaining Agreement \$3.2 million
- Provide Funding for Day Services for High School Graduates \$10.1 million
- Provide Funding for Residential and Day Services for Age Outs \$2.8 million
- Provide Funding for Residential and Day Services for Individuals Transitioning Out of LTCs & STS \$162K
- Reflect Current Caseload Requirements -\$19.3 million
- Distribute provider bonus \$16.1 million

SID 16122 FY26

Total Adjustments: \$52.8 million

- Annualize FY 2025 Private Provider Increase \$7.3 million
- Annualize PCA Collective Bargaining Agreement \$7.9 million
- Provide Funding for Residential and Day Services for Age Outs \$6.2 million
- Provide Funding for Residential and Day Services for Individuals Transitioning Out of LTCs & STS \$1 million
- Reflect Current Caseload Requirements -\$3 million
- Distribute provider bonus \$33.4 million

SID 16108 FY27

Total Adjustments: \$34.3 million

- Annualize FY 2025 Private Provider Increase \$7.3 million
- Annualize PCA Collective Bargaining Agreement \$3.1 million
- Provide Funding for Day Services for High School Graduates \$21.2 million
- Provide Funding for Residential and Day Services for Age Outs \$5.7 million
- Provide Funding for Residential and Day Services for Individuals Transitioning Out of LTCs & STS \$442K
- Reflect Current Caseload Requirements -\$19.3 million
- Distribute provider bonus \$16.1 million
- ARPA ongoing initiatives adjustment -\$188k

SID 16122 FY27

Total Adjustments: \$72.3 million

- Annualize FY 2025 Private Provider Increase \$17.4 million
- Annualize PCA Collective Bargaining Agreement \$7.6 million
- Provide Funding for Residential and Day Services for Age Outs \$14.5 million
- Provide Funding for Residential and Day Services for Individuals Transitioning Out of LTCs & STS \$2.8 million
- Reflect Current Caseload Requirements -\$3 million
- Distribute provider bonus \$33.4 million
- ARPA ongoing initiatives adjustment -\$412k

4. Provide breakdown of what is in Emergency Placements line item.

The Emergency Placements SID funds supports that allow the department to address some immediate concerns of individuals in crisis and maintain them in the community. These supports include the following categories:

Individual and Family Support Resource (IFS) Teams

Each Department of Developmental Services (DDS) Region has Individual and Family Support Resource Team staff available to aid individuals with intellectual disability who live on their own or with their families. Individual and Family Support Resource Team Supports include educational supports, transition coordination, behavioral supports, nursing supports, family support, community resource development, and respite. Team members may provide direct support, skill training, family training, information sharing and referral, crisis support, collaboration with local school districts and agencies, and community development.

Emergency Transitional Housing Units

This program is delivered by private providers and supports individuals who are experiencing housing insecurity until their residential program can be developed.

Step Up/Down Unit

This publicly operated unit supports individuals in crisis and in need of behavioral stabilization before returning to community-based settings. Referrals to the unit may come from community-based settings (step up) or higher levels of care, such as hospital emergency departments (step down).

Clinical Response Team

DDS contracts with providers to operate clinical teams that deliver short-term clinical behavioral supports to individuals for an average of ninety (90) days. Teams assess the behavioral needs of the individual and design appropriate interventions, also providing training and support to direct care staff who will be implementing the programs.

5. Provide a timeline of Commissioner Scheff's timeline for next steps for STS.

DDS has regularly convened various stakeholder groups to discuss the current and future operations of Southbury Training School (STS). As admissions to STS have been closed for a number of years, the census continues to decline, dipping below 100 as we reached calendar year 2025. Throughout this decades-long downsizing, DDS has continued to shrink their footprint of operations on the campus. Buildings have been mothballed and parcels of land have been conveyed to other parties, including farmland to the Department of Agriculture.

Given the scale of current operations, DDS has most recently engaged in preparatory conversations with stakeholders on future plans for the campus. Next steps will be to bring these stakeholder groups together for joint conversations on options to propose. Considerations will include: supports for individuals still in residence, campus structures, land, and other natural elements connected to the town.

6. Provide a detailed summary on the components of subsidized [supportive] housing, including how the housing subsidies are funded.

Supportive Housing combines some form of rental assistance with wrap-around supports from a qualified provider in an apartment setting. The goal of Supportive Housing is to ensure that you have the right supports to permit the individual to be successful in a place where they choose to live that is safe and affordable.

DDS Supportive Housing is based on a partnership between Department of Housing (DOH), Department of Developmental Services (DDS), a developer, and a DDS Qualified Provider to set aside (not to exceed) 25% of units in a development for people with Intellectual/Developmental Disability. The units are funded through the Rental Assistance Program (RAPs) and services are furnished by a DDS Qualified Provider. DDS and DOH

operate under a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), in which DDS sends funds to DOH on a quarterly basis, to secure RAP certificates for individuals selected for participation in DDS Supportive Housing. DOH (with the funds from DDS) administers the RAPs while wrap around services are provided by a Qualified DDS Provider covered through a Medicaid waiver. DDS identifies priority areas of the state to meet the needs of individuals and families while ensuring choice and access to preferred communities. DDS and the Qualified Provider work together to identify interested individuals.

7. 65+ Caregivers, how many total, and how many are still on the waiting list?

DDS has offered residential supports to individuals with caregivers aged 65+ since FY23. New individuals have been added to the waiting list each fiscal year, as caregivers age into eligibility. 571 individuals with caregivers aged 65+ have received residential supports from FY23 to the present. 129 individuals with caregivers aged 65+ have been allocated funding and are currently waiting for specific placements or supports this fiscal year.

8. Community Placements by town.

The following chart indicates the number of individuals receiving residential supports by town. Support types included are Community Living Arrangements, Continuous Residential Supports, Community Companion Homes, Regional Centers, Skilled Nursing Facilities, Southbury Training School, Regional Centers, the Transitional Unit or people in family or own homes with in-home supports. Data for towns with fewer than ten individuals have been suppressed to ensure confidentiality of the individuals.

Town Code and Name	Total
001 - ANDOVER	*
002 - ANSONIA	41
003 - ASHFORD	*
004 - AVON	42
005 - BARKHAMSTED	*
006 - BEACON FALLS	*
007 - BERLIN	48
008 - BETHANY	10
009 - BETHEL	47
010 - BETHLEHEM	*
011 - BLOOMFIELD	114
012 - BOLTON	*
013 - BOZRAH	*
014 - BRANFORD	65
015 - BRIDGEPORT	187
016 - BRIDGEWATER	*
017 - BRISTOL	143
018 - BROOKFIELD	36

019 - BROOKLYN		52
020 - BURLINGTON		27
021 - CANAAN	*	
022 - CANTERBURY		10
023 - CANTON		43
024 - CHAPLIN	*	
025 - CHESHIRE		129
026 - CHESTER		32
027 - CLINTON		60
028 - COLCHESTER		78
029 - COLEBROOK	*	
030 - COLUMBIA		41
031 - CORNWALL	*	
032 - COVENTRY		36
033 - CROMWELL		64
034 - DANBURY		109
035 - DARIEN		11
036 - DEEP RIVER	*	
037 - DERBY		30
038 - DURHAM		15
039 - EASTFORD	*	
040 - EAST GRANBY	*	
041 - EAST HADDAM		26
042 - EAST HAMPTON		15
043 - EAST HARTFORD		127
044 - EAST HAVEN		89
045 - EAST LYME		43
046 - EASTON	*	
047 - EAST WINDSOR		24
048 - ELLINGTON		26
049 - ENFIELD		67
050 - ESSEX	*	
051 - FAIRFIELD		56
052 - FARMINGTON		55
053 - FRANKLIN		12
054 - GLASTONBURY		55
055 - GOSHEN	*	
056 - GRANBY		20
057 - GREENWICH		80
058 - GRISWOLD		24
059 - GROTON		115
060 - GUILFORD		50

061 - HADDAM		11
062 - HAMDEN		225
063 - HAMPTON	*	
064 - HARTFORD		152
065 - HARTLAND	*	
066 - HARWINTON		13
067 - HEBRON		24
068 - KENT	*	
069 - KILLINGLY		88
070 - KILLINGWORTH	*	
071 - LEBANON		48
072 - LEDYARD		36
073 - LISBON	*	
074 - LITCHFIELD		24
075 - LYME	*	
076 - MADISON		36
077 - MANCHESTER		237
078 - MANSFIELD		35
079 - MARLBOROUGH	*	
080 - MERIDEN		218
081 - MIDDLEBURY		32
082 - MIDDLEFIELD		14
083 - MIDDLETOWN		126
084 - MILFORD		63
085 - MONROE		49
086 - MONTVILLE		63
087 - MORRIS	*	
088 - NAUGATUCK		70
089 - NEW BRITAIN		127
090 - NEW CANAAN		17
091 - NEW FAIRFIELD		13
092 - NEW HARTFORD		17
093 - NEW HAVEN		226
094 - NEWINGTON		98
095 - NEW LONDON		67
096 - NEW MILFORD		56
097 - NEWTOWN		49
099 - NORTH BRANFORD		56
100 - NORTH CANAAN	*	
101 - NORTH HAVEN		123
102 - NORTH STONINGTON		10
103 - NORWALK		192

104 - NORWICH		160
105 - OLD LYME		17
106 - OLD SAYBROOK		28
107 - ORANGE		45
108 - OXFORD		38
109 - PLAINFIELD		29
110 - PLAINVILLE		46
111 - PLYMOUTH		33
112 - POMFRET		19
113 - PORTLAND		22
114 - PRESTON	*	
115 - PROSPECT		29
116 - PUTNAM		44
117 - REDDING	*	
118 - RIDGEFIELD		25
119 - ROCKY HILL		40
120 - ROXBURY	*	
121 - SALEM		12
122 - SALISBURY	*	
123 - SCOTLAND	*	
124 - SEYMOUR		23
125 - SHARON	*	
126 - SHELTON		74
127 - SHERMAN	*	
128 - SIMSBURY		40
129 - SOMERS		20
130 - SOUTHBURY		128
131 - SOUTHLINGTON		102
132 - SOUTH WINDSOR		64
133 - SPRAGUE	*	
134 - STAFFORD		18
135 - STAMFORD		148
136 - STERLING	*	
137 - STONINGTON		17
138 - STRATFORD		131
139 - SUFFIELD		18
140 - THOMASTON		22
141 - THOMPSON		24
142 - TOLLAND		19
143 - TORRINGTON		205
144 - TRUMBULL		106
146 - VERNON		77

148 - WALLINGFORD		99
151 - WATERBURY		320
152 - WATERFORD		83
153 - WATERTOWN		103
154 - WESTBROOK		44
155 - WEST HARTFORD		166
156 - WEST HAVEN		103
157 - WESTON	*	
158 - WESTPORT		33
159 - WETHERSFIELD		64
160 - WILLINGTON	*	
161 - WILTON		18
162 - WINCHESTER		55
163 - WINDHAM		92
164 - WINDSOR		149
165 - WINDSOR LOCKS		29
166 - WOLCOTT		65
167 - WOODBRIDGE		14
168 - WOODBURY		15
169 - WOODSTOCK	*	
Grand Total		8421

**Towns with an asterisk have been suppressed for having fewer than 10 individuals in the town.*

Counts include individuals in Community Living Arrangements, Continuous Residential Supports, Community Companion Homes, Regional Centers, SNF, Southbury Training School, Regional Centers, the Transition Unit or people in family or own homes with in home supports.