

Task Force on Community-Based Human Services  
INFORMATIONAL FORUM AND PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA

Thursday, January 21, 2010

5:30 PM Newtown High School Lecture Room, Newtown, CT

I. General Overview / History of the System - Pat Johnson, President, Oak Hill

II. Identifying the Problems

A. Department of Social Services Provider -Tom Fanning, President,  
Ability Beyond Disability

B. Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services Provider – Rico  
Bilangi, President, CT Counseling Centers

C. Department of Children and Families Provider – Dr. Irv Jennings,  
Executive and Medical Director, Family and Children's Aid

D. Domestic Violence Services Provider – Cathy Zeiner, Executive  
Director, Women's Center of Southeastern Connecticut

E. Juvenile Justice Services

III. Stakeholder Perspectives

A. Parent of an individual served by Ability Beyond Disability

IV. Identifying the Solutions

A. Alternatives to More Costly / Restrictive Systems of Care – Leslie  
Simoes, Assistant Executive Director, The Arc of CT

B. Elimination of Costly Unfunded Mandates / Purchase of Service Reform / Results-Based Accountability - Terry Edelstein, President / CEO, Connecticut Community Providers Association

C. Thoughtful Medicaid Redesign and Maximizing Federal Funding - Heather Gates, President, Community Health Resources

D. Grant Incentive Program / Collaborations - Ron Cretaro, CT Nonprofits

E. Short-Term and Long-Term Funding Solutions - Alyssa Goduti, Vice President for Public Policy, Connecticut Community Providers Association

## V. Conclusions and Questions & Answers