

November 21, 2012

Jane Gallivan, Director
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Woodbrook Professional Center, Building 1056
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RE: Proposed Prevocational Services Definitions

Dear Ms. Gallivan:

The Governor's Advisory Council for Exceptional Citizens (GACEC) has been given the responsibility to provide advocacy and advice on the human service needs of exceptional citizens of all ages in the State of Delaware. On behalf of the GACEC, I would like to express support for the comments provided by the Disabilities Law Program (DLP) in reference to the proposed Division of Developmental Disabilities Services (DDDS) Prevocational Services Draft Service Program Definitions. A copy of the DLP letter is attached for your reference. Council supports the suggestions from the DLP which would include timetables for assessment, identification of milestones, plan reviews and a specified end date for prevocational services unless a waiver is issued. We believe that each of these steps will assist in improving prevocational services for individuals with disabilities.

Thank you for your time and consideration of our comments. Please feel free to contact me or Wendy Strauss at the GACEC office should you have questions.

Sincerely,

Terri A. Hancharick
Chairperson

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CC: The Honorable Rita Landgraf, DHSS
Deborah Gottschalk, Chief Policy Advisor, DHSS

Enclosure