

Service System 101

- State agencies represented on the Council
 - Mandated in DD Act
 - LA Council added
 - What services they provide

Patti Barovechio – Office of Public Health (CSHS)

- Title V of the Social Security Act
- Mandated



Children's Special Health Services (CSHS)

- Provides medical and family support services to children with special health care needs and their families in Louisiana.
- Services provided in CSHS Clinics & in private health care facilities:
 - Health care services
 - Medical tests and procedures
 - Hospitalization

More on CSHS

- Therapies
- Home health services
- Medical equipment and supplies
- Parent/family support services
- Medications and special diets
- Nursing, nutrition and social services follow-up
- Care coordination, case management, and resource development

Dee Budgewater – Bureau of Health Services Financing

- Title XIX of the Social Security Act
- Mandated



Bureau of Health Services Financing (BHSF) - Medicaid

- Healthcare services (physician, hospital, pharmacy, etc.) for people who meet income and other requirements
- Healthy LA – LA's Medicaid managed care system
- Funding/policy/compliance for long term care services (waivers, Long Term Personal Care, institutions)

More on Medicaid

- Most people w/ DD remain in legacy Medicaid
- Early, Periodic, Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) for children under 21 – all medically necessary services
- Family Opportunity Act – children with disabilities up to 300% poverty level

Mark Martin – LA Rehabilitation Services

- Rehabilitation Act of 1973
- Mandated



LA Rehabilitation Services (LRS)

- Assists persons with disabilities in their desire to obtain or maintain employment and/or achieve independence in their communities by providing rehabilitation services and working cooperatively with business and other community resources.
 - Vocational Rehabilitation
 - Independent Living Program
 - Louisiana Rehabilitation Council

Vocational Rehabilitation Services

- Vocational guidance, career counseling and job placement
- Transition from School to Work
- Independent Living
- Transportation to access vocational services
- Vocational and other training services
- Rehabilitation technology, including assistive technology
- Occupational tools and equipment

Jamie Wong – Department of Education

- Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
- Mandated



Department of Education (LDE)

- Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE)
 - Enacts policies and adopts regulations governing all schools
 - Operates the state's 2 special schools and Special School Districts
 - Authorizes Type 2 & 5 Charter Schools
 - Fiscal agent responsible for distribution of State and Federal funds
 - Appoints the Supt. of Education

More on LDE

- Louisiana Dept. of Education
 - Provides information, technical assistance and oversight/monitoring of education programs provided by Local Education Agencies

Sharon Buchert- Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs

- Older Americans Act of 1965
- Mandated



Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs (GOEA)

- Serves as a focal point for senior citizens and administers a broad range of home and community based services through a network of 36 Area Agencies on Aging.
- Serves as an advocate for the state's elderly citizens

Mark Thomas - Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities

- LA Council added



Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities (OCDD)

- Single point of entry into DD system
- Oversees public and private residential and community supports and services for people with developmental disabilities
- Community services are administered through 10 Regional Human Services Districts/Authorities called Local Governing Entities (LGEs)

Community Services

- Waiver Services
 - New Opportunities Waiver
 - Children’s Choice Waiver
 - Supports Waiver
 - Residential Options Waiver
- Flexible Family Fund
- Individual and Family Support
- Support Coordination
- Community Support Teams
- Transition Services from Institutions
- Early Intervention Services (EarlySteps)

Tara LeBlanc - Office of Aging and Adult Services

- LA Council added



Office of Aging and Adult Services (OAAS)

Oversees long-term care services for people with adult-onset disabilities and seniors

- Community Choices Waiver
- Adult Day Health Care Waiver
- Long-Term Personal Care Services
- Program for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)

More on OAAS

- State Personal Assistance Services Program (includes Act 378 funded supported living program)
- Louisiana's Traumatic Head and Spinal Cord Injury Trust Fund Program
- Adult Protective Services

Bambi Polotzola - Governor's Office of Disability Affairs

- LA Council added



Governor's Office of Disability Affairs (GODA)

- Facilitates access to the opportunities needed for persons with disabilities to live as fully engaged participants in society.
- Provides constituency services
- Statewide Independent Living Council
- Governor's Advisory Council on Disability Affairs