



**Governor's Commission on Disabilities
Public Forum Healthcare/Supports Group /
Legislation Committee**

Thursday, Oct. 17, 2013 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM

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Attendees: Deborah Garneau; Elaina Goldstein; Ken Parieau; & Gary Witman
Staff: Bob Cooper & Bryana Boucher



**4:00 Call to Order and Election of the Working Group's Chairperson,
Bob Cooper**

Meeting called to order at 4:05 PM.
Introduction of Working Group Members



MOTION: To elect Deborah Garneau, the Healthcare and Supports
Working Group Chairperson
Motion moved by EG, seconded by KP, *passed unanimously*



4:05 Chairperson

Purpose/Goal: To Identify the Concerns of Public Forums on the
Concerns of People with Disabilities and their Families' participants and
propose recommendations for addressing those concerns.

The work group should look at:

infrastructure & resourcing;
guidance & coordination;
quality control;

information & referral;
professional development & credentialing; &
quality of life.

Concerns	Recommendations	Testimony on Pages
Inaccuracy in SIS Evaluations and lack of funding	GCD Legislation committee should reevaluate using the SIS as an assessment tool and make a distinction between BHDDAs vs. nursing home.	4,7,12,46, 50, 60, 63, 66, 67, 70, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 135
Lack of funding causing quality of care	GCD Legislation committee should check the laws that already exist for example "Perry Sliven." The payment of state and private workers needs to be reviewed.	31, 32, 47, 54, 55, 76, 80, 81, 83, 101, 139, 140, 141, 142, 144
Lack of accessible housing for	_____ should provide affordable	108, 112

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individuals who are trying to stay in their homes for as long as possible	housing and maintain people independently in housing.	
The lack of knowledge on autism from health care providers	GCD Legislation committee should be collaborations between health services for families, medical providers and patients/consumers. Providers need to be educated.	27, 30, 40, 44, 71
The lack of supports and funding for children transitioning into adult services	GCD Legislation committee should need more supports for children into adult services.	17, 68, 104, 126
	<p>Motion: To adopt the concerns and recommendations above Motion moved by KP, seconded by EG, <i>passed unanimously</i></p>	
	<p><i>5:30 Adjournment Chairperson</i></p>	
	<p>MOTION: To adjourn at 4:15 PM Motion moved by EG, seconded by KP, <i>passed unanimously</i></p>	