

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Executive Office of Health and Human Services

Department of Developmental Services

Presentation to ADDP Membership

Commissioner Jane F. Ryder

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Serving Individuals



- DDS serves over 41,500 individuals; 39k with intellectual disabilities and 2,272 with Autism only
- Over 16k families receive a variety of Family Support Services to care for family member at home
- Nearly 8k individuals living in 24-hour group homes
- Over 1,400 individuals in shared living
- Over 7k individuals receive Community Based Day Supports
- Over 6k individuals receive employment services
- Our Turning 22 classes continue to grow in size, with a projected class over 2,600
- Less than 350 individuals in our two facilities

FY20 Budget



Highlights:

- Turning 22 funded at \$25 million
- Community Residential Services funded at \$1.2 billion, an \$86 million (7%) increase
- Community Day and Work funded at \$293.5 million, a \$28.8 million (13%) increase
- Adult Autism funded at \$30.8 million, a \$12.6 million (70%) increase
- Family Support funded at \$70.1 million, a \$5.1 million (8%) increase
- Transportation funded at \$29.5 million, a \$5.2 million (21%) increase
- DESE/DDS Program funded at \$10.5 million, a \$4 million (62%) increase
- Autism Children's Waiver funded at \$7.4 million, \$450,000 (6%) increase

DDS is now a \$2 billion agency

Strategic Priorities



- Alternative Residential Models
- > Autism Services
- > Transportation
- Service Coordinator Role
- MASSCAP Eligibility Process

The Future of ALTR



- Rate review begun for ALTR rates starting July 1, 2020
- Implementation of minimum wage and PFML laws
- Work together to address workforce challenges
- Alternatives to 24/7 residential group home placements
 - Technology
 - Shared Living
 - > New service models



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Thank you!