

# Settlement Agreement Stakeholder Group Member Welcome

DOJ Settlement Agreement Stakeholder Meeting

December 13, 2016

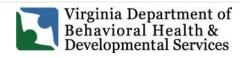
### Development of Stakeholder Group

- Established in July 2012
- Purpose: to ensure key stakeholders
  - receive regular updates on a wide range of implementation activities related to the SA,
  - have a forum for assuring a common understanding of facts and issues related to the implementation of the SA
- Group will continue to meet until the conclusion of the SA
- Members appointed by Commissioner of DBHDS for two year terms



# **Composition of Group**

- Comprised of representatives from diverse personal or professional backgrounds who have experience supporting individuals with DD. Includes:
  - individuals receiving services
  - family members of individuals receiving services
  - family members of individuals who are on the waitlist
  - individuals on the waitlist
  - advocacy organizations
  - provider associations
  - state agencies
  - At Large individuals able to provide a valuable perspective not specific to other categories



#### Meetings

- Quarterly meetings
  - Last month of the quarter for 3 hours (1-4pm)
  - Location for meetings varies
- Agendas
  - General Update
  - Training Center Closure Update
  - Budget Update
  - Topical Presentations and facilitated discussions for gathering feedback



#### Settlement Agreement Dates

- Aug 2008:DOJ initiated an investigation of CVTCpursuant to the Civil Rights ofInstitutionalized Persons Act (CRIPA).
- April 2010:DOJ notified VA expanding investigation to focus<br/>on Virginia's compliance with (ADA) and the U.S.<br/>Supreme Court Olmstead ruling.
- **Feb. 2011:** DOJ submitted a findings letter to Virginia, concluding VA failed to provide services to individuals with DD in the most integrated setting appropriate to their needs.
- March 2011: Virginia entered into negotiations with DOJ.
- Jan 26, 2012: VA and DOJ reached a Settlement Agreement.
- Aug 23, 2012: Agreement accepted and filed



### Implementation Highlights

- Training Center transition and discharge process established: SVTC closed 2014; NVTC closed 2016
- Waivers slots created each year: exceeds requirement
- Employment First policy adopted
- Independent Housing Plan: 555 living independently
- START Crisis system for adults established (now REACH)
- Individual and Family Support Program serves 1000/year
- DD Health Services Network created
- Data Warehouse created
- Quality Service Reviews begun
- Redesigned Waiver system implemented Sept 2016



## **Reporting Schedule**

The Independent Reviewer formally reviews the Commonwealth's compliance with the S.A twice a year following the below reporting schedule. Reports as well as other information related to the S.A can be found on DBHDS' website at: <u>http://www.dbhds.virginia.gov/individuals-and-</u> <u>families/developmental-disabilities/doj-settlement-agreement</u>

Start of Reporting Period	End of Reporting Period	Report submitted to the Court
October 1st	March 30th	June 13th
April 1st	September 30th	December 13th



#### List of Upcoming Meetings:

- March 14, 2017 1:00 4:00 p.m.
- June 20, 2017 1:00 4:00 p.m.
- September 19, 2017 1:00 4:00 p.m.
- December 12, 2017 1:00 4:00 p.m.

