



TO SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

What Is At Stake?

- Babies and toddlers who have disabilities or developmental delays -- like all babies and toddlers -- need to grow up knowing how to eat, move, communicate, learn and play.
- School age children who have developmental disabilities -- like all school age children -- need opportunities to learn new things, play with friends, and be surrounded by people who help them become fulfilled, well-rounded adults.
- Adults with developmental disabilities -- like all adults -- deserve real opportunities to work and study, safely live in and contribute to their communities, participate in activities and recreation, and enjoy meaningful relationships with friends, loved ones and neighbors.
- Families of people with developmental disabilities -- like all families -- need information and support when a loved one has medical, behavioral or financial challenges, and the peace of mind of knowing that their loved ones will have what they need to be healthy, safe and happy throughout their life.

What is the Threat?

- New Jersey leaders continue to grapple with the challenge of meeting the public's growing needs in a time of limited public resources.
- Thousands of people with developmental disabilities and their families are already waiting years for some services because of insufficient resources.
- State funded services in early intervention, special education, employment, residential, day programs and Medicaid are lifelines for children and adults with developmental disabilities and their families.
- For these reasons, we cannot accept any cuts to services that impact people with developmental disabilities provided by the following State Departments:
 - Human Services
 - Health & Senior Services
 - Education
 - Labor

**PLEASE STAND WITH OUR COMMUNITY!
INSIST THAT THE FY2011 BUDGET CONTAINS **NO CUTS** TO
SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES!**