



## The State of New York Office for People with Developmental Disabilities

*Announces a Public Hearing on the draft of the*

### **Statewide Comprehensive Plan: 2010 – 2014** ***“We help people with developmental disabilities live richer lives.”***

**August 23, 2010 3:30pm – 5:30pm**

The Public Hearing will be held at three locations in the state and will be conducted as a live video conference with Acting Commissioner Max E. Chmura. Acting Commissioner Chmura will attend the Schenectady location and will participate via video conference at the other two locations.

OPWDD intends to utilize the ideas, suggestions, and comments received through the Public Hearing to further refine the proposed Statewide Comprehensive Plan for services. OPWDD urges self-advocates, family members, non-profit providers, professionals, advocates, and other interested parties to participate in the hearing.

The draft Statewide Comprehensive Plan for services reflects OPWDD’s Mission and Vision Statements and sets forth continuing plans for implementing a transformational agenda around supporting people with developmental disabilities to enjoy meaningful relationships, experience personal health and growth, live in a home of their choice, and fully participate in their communities. The draft Plan will be available on OPWDD’s website at [www.omr.state.ny.us](http://www.omr.state.ny.us) as of August 16, 2010.

Speakers will be asked to register in advance of the public hearing, limit their comments to three (3) minutes, and bring two (2) copies of the testimony. Due to space limitations at some sites, it is recommended that attendees also register. Locations and contacts for registration are listed below.

Written testimony can also be submitted to Ray Pierce at OPWDD, 44 Holland Avenue, Albany, NY 12229 or via e-mail at [Raymond.L.Pierce@omr.state.ny.us](mailto:Raymond.L.Pierce@omr.state.ny.us).

***For general information about the Public Hearing, please contact OPWDD’s Bureau of Planning:***

Phone: (518) 474-4904 Fax: (518) 473-0054

***To register to speak, obtain more information or directions to the hearing location, or to arrange for a special accommodation, please contact the staff person at the public hearing location nearest you.***

#### Schenectady

Capital District DDSO/O.D. Heck Developmental Center  
500 Balltown Road, Schenectady, NY 12304  
Building 3, Conference Room 2  
Contact: Cris Christodulu (518) 370-7429  
[Cris.Christodulu@omr.state.ny.us](mailto:Cris.Christodulu@omr.state.ny.us)

#### Rochester

Finger Lakes DDSO/Monroe Developmental Center  
620 Westfall Road, Rochester, NY 14620  
Room 3/4 and Room 25 Leaf  
Contact: Tracy Scott: (585) 241-5729  
[Tracy.L.Scott@omr.state.ny.us](mailto:Tracy.L.Scott@omr.state.ny.us)

#### New York City

NYCRO/Metro New York DDSO  
75 Morton Street, New York, NY 10014  
Activities Center – 1st Floor  
Contact: Hilsy Joseph (212) 229-3216  
[Hilsy.Joseph@omr.state.ny.us](mailto:Hilsy.Joseph@omr.state.ny.us)

***\*Also note that OPWDD is collecting information for the Plan through a brief survey on the website at [www.omr.state.ny.us](http://www.omr.state.ny.us). Please take a few minutes to complete it.***