

DD COALITION ACTION ITEMS

Respond to the Developmental Disability (DD) Waiver Waiting List Crisis

- **Support the House Amendments that reduce the Priority 1 waiting list by 45%.**
 - Provide 544 Family and Individual Support Waivers (*Item 306 #11h, Landes*)
 - Transfer 693 people from the EDCD Waiver to the FIS Waiver (*Item 306 #10h, Cox*)
- **Support the Senate Amendments that reduce the Priority 1 waiting list by 38%.**
 - Transfer 550 people from the EDCD Waiver to the FIS Waiver (*Item 306 #1s, Barker*)
 - Transfer 500 people from the EDCD Waiver to the FIS Waiver (*Item 306 #43s, Black*)

Improve Access to Inclusive Education

- **Direct the Department of Education to develop a long-range, statewide Inclusion Implementation Plan for children with the most significant disabilities.** The plan should include a report on current access to inclusive education in school districts across the Commonwealth. The plan should be developed in consultation with experts in inclusive education and systems change (*House: Item 132 #3h, R.P. Bell | Senate: Item 132 #6s, McDougale*)
- **Direct the State Executive Council to develop a demonstration grant program for localities to design and implement promising strategies that focus on using CSA and/or other resources, in order to address the needs of students with disabilities in neighborhood schools who might otherwise be served in disability-specific settings such as private residential facilities or private day schools.** (*House: Item 285 #3h, R.P. Bell | Senate: Item 285 #4s, Barker*)

Protect the Rights of Virginians with Developmental Disabilities

- **Complete the closure of the two remaining state training centers and transition to a community-based service system - *Oppose HB 1972, HB 1583, SB 1551***
- **Protect fair housing rights for people with developmental disabilities - *Oppose SB 1373***
- **Support the Disability Commission's recommendation that DMAS implement an exceptions process for the limit on consumer-directed attendant hours (*Item 306 #2s, Marsden*)**

Help People with Complex Support Needs Live in the Community

- **Allow individuals with complex support needs to access the "customized rate" when receiving Sponsored Residential services (*Item 306 #11s, Hanger*)**

Promote Transparency and Accountability

- **Support amendments that increase transparency and accountability in the DD Waiver system.** Language also requires families be notified of their SIS score, level and tier and be provided with notice of an appropriate appeal process. (*House: Item 313 #3h, Greason | Senate: Item 312 #1s, Sturtevant*)
- **Support amendments that require validation of the Supports Intensity Scale (SIS) (*House: Item 313 #1h Hester | Senate: 313 #1s, Howell*)**

Support Early Intervention

- **Increase the reimbursement rate for the Medicaid Early Intervention Targeted Case Management (*House: Item 314 #1h, Ingram | Senate: Item 306 #4s, Howell*)**