Present: Jerry Brennan, Kuhn; Sandy Lavoie, CW; Paul Rosin, CRI; Peter Mason, DDS; Judy Dowd, OPM; Paula Pfister, DSS

Peter distributed the Utilization Report for period 2/1-6/30/10. (See attached). The report reflects data for those agencies that submitted and signed off on monthly attendance reports. The overall attendance percentage is 88.5%, but includes some programs showing greater than 100% attendance (some programs are open more than 250 days - ie. Saturdays, holidays or other reasons). DDS will need to review the specifics with those agencies reflecting more than 100% attendance. It may be that in some cases the services are not coded correctly. 10% of those agencies reflected on the report are showing 82% or less attendance. The overall analysis by program type shows attendance for all agencies fairly consistent at 88-89%.

There remains a question as the impact of participant benefits (paid time off) on attendance. This committee attempted to obtain information thru a survey to providers, but response was small and not beneficial. DDS will conduct a survey of providers regarding participant benefits. DDS new contract requires agencies to offer a minimum of 5 paid days off (or equivalent) to those working (Group supported or sheltered workshops). The data suggests that benefits are not negatively impacting attendance.

The committee addressed the primary question – "Is the 90% attendance factor reasonable?" The 5 months of available data shows:

- > There are minimal percentage differences between programs
- > DDS should look at the "outlier agencies" to determine reasons for extremes in attendance and provide assistance as needed
- > There is no apparent need to provide variable rates for DSO or GSE based on attendance (this does not address level of need or supervision required)

What can we learn from the data?

- > Are day program only providers at a disadvantage? While it appears that agencies who provide both day and residential services have a generally higher attendance percentage, a quick review of the data for day program only providers shows the overall attendance percentage based on 5 months of data is over 90% (Note: for the 25 agencies that provide only day programs, 12 agencies were below the average and 13 agencies were above.)
- > Issues affecting attendance, such as doctor's apts., attendance at IP meetings, etc. require a change in "culture and attitude." Meetings and appointments can be at different times or within a time frame to ensure attendance at program for the 2 hrs./46 mins. required to constitute a full day.

The committee has addressed the issues/questions assigned and offers the following recommendations:

- > DDS should continue to find ways to include reasons for participant absence in the data collecting system (this may also be a topic for the IT sub-committee)
- > DDS will compile and distribute data to the committee by mid-Sept. The committee will review the data at the next meeting.

Next meeting is 9/30/10 from 1:30-3:30 at the DDS Central Office. Conference room TBD

Submitted by: Pat Bourne

Utilization from 2/1-6/30/2010

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			Sum of	Sum of	Utilization	
Provider	***Res %	**** Day %	Pot Days	Act Days	Percent	Percentile
VANTAGE GROUP, INC.	98.98%	1.02%	105	49	46.67%	
AMERICAN SCHOOL FOR THE DE	81.58%	18.42%	16	9	54.88%	
BIRMINGHAM GROUP HEALTH S	0.00%	100.00%	508	398	78.35%	
ST. VINCENTS SPEC. NEEDS	59.30%	40.70%	13440	10693	79.56%	
SHARP TRAINING	0.00%	100.00%	4514	3630	80.42%	
SUNRISE NORTHEAST, INC.	89.34%	10.66%	3896	3147	80.77%	
ARI OF CONNECTICUT, INC.	67.49%		6592	5360	81.31%	
VARCA INC.	0.00%	100.00%	7497	6137	81.86%	
EDUCATION CONNECTIONS	80.45%	19.55%	651	535	82.18%	10%
ARC OF QUINEBAUG VALLEY	61.00%	39.00%	3262	2686	82.35%	
NORTHEAST PLC SVS	61.06%	38.94%	4667	3870	82.93%	
TRANSITIONAL EMPL UNLTD	0.00%	100.00%	987	826	83.69%	
ABILITY BEYOND DISABILTY	73.40%	26.60%	7391	6190	83.75%	
COMMUNITY RESIDENCES INC	73.88%	26.12%	7164	6036	84.25%	
CLASP HOMES INC.	97.26%	2.74%	440	372	84.55%	
LIGHTHOUSE VOC-ED CENTER	0.00%	100.00%	420	358	85.24%	
TRICOUNTY ARC	56.62%	43.38%	5040	4312	85.56%	
UCP OF EASTERN CT	49.12%	50.88%	3337	2869	85.99%	
WHOLE LIFE, INC.	95.22%	4.78%	2100	1808	86.10%	
WARC	0.00%	100.00%	12140	10483	86.35%	
STAR INC.	55.62%	44.38%	12209	10565	86.53%	
BAROCO CORPORATION	0.00%	100.00%	10829	9400	86.81%	
EASTER SEAL-NC/HARTFORD	0.00%	100.00%	7665	6665	86.95%	25%
COMMUNITY VOC. SERVICES	0.00%	100.00%	1449	1261	87.03%	
coco	0.00%	100.00%	3234	2816	87.07%	
ALTERNATIVES INC	83.87%	16.13%	1680	1464	87.14%	
LCARC	33.20%	66.80%	11777	10268	87.19%	
CCARC	94.14%	5.86%	1033	902	87.30%	
BUCKINGHAM COM. SERV.	22.35%	77.65%	4628	4050	87.50%	
COMMUNITY SOCIAL INTEGRT	85.77%	14.23%	1348	1180	87.52%	
ARC MERIDEN-WALLINGFORD	28.58%	71.42%	13513	11838	87.61%	
GREEN CHIMNEYS CHILD SVS	70.77%	29.23%	903	792	87.71%	
KUHN EMPLOYMENT OPPORT.	0.00%	100.00%	9915	8702	87.77%	
SARAH INC.	0.00%	100.00%	15112	13273	87.83%	
FARMINGTON VALLEY ARC	61.06%	38.94%	7346	6477	88.17%	
PRIME CARE, INC	77.42%	22.58%	11529	10172	88.23%	
ARC OF NEW LONDON	50.42%	49.58%	7556	6672	88.30%	
NETWORK, INC.	86.55%	13.45%	3388	2994	88.37%	
KENNEDY CENTER	46.91%	53.09%	37838	33448	88.40%	
HARC	49.13%	50.87%	23879	21126	88.47%	
EASTER SEAL-SC/GOODWILL	0.00%	100.00%	12304	10906	88.64%	(18. 18. 18. 18. 18. 18. 18. 18. 18. 18.
ACORD, INC.	63.47%	36.53%	4303	3823	88.84%	
CW RESOURCES, INC.	0.00%	100.00%	23067	20537	89.03%	1
SEABIRD ENTERPRISES, INC.	0.00%	100.00%	13652	12178	89.20%	
WINSTED SENIOR CENTER	0.00%	100.00%	693	619	89.32%	
GOODWILL IND. OF W CT.	0.00%	100.00%	13887	12406	89.34%	50%

WEST HAVEN COMM.HOUSE	58.26%	41.74%	3784	3383	89.40%	
BRISTOL ARC	54.82%	45.18%	8739	7819	89.47%	
EASTER SEAL GT WATERBURY	0.00%	100.00%	11119	9997	89.91%	
ALLIED REHABILITATION CN	48.16%	51.84%	10630	9570	90.03%	
CORP. PUBLIC MGMT	63.65%	36.35%	4976	4484	90.11%	
ACES	0.00%	100.00%	5486	4971	90.61%	
MARC, INC.(MANCHESTER)	52.26%	47.74%	14781	13432	90.87%	
ADULT VOC. PROGRAM	0.00%	100.00%	6489	5897	90.88%	
REM CONNECTICUT COMMUNIT	76.07%	23.93%	5183	4713	90.93%	
ARC OF GREATER NEW HAVEN	0.00%	100.00%	6237	5677	91.02%	
COMMUNITY ENTERPRISES	46.84%	53.16%	4576	4171	91.15%	
CT. INSTITUTE FOR BLIND	87.74%	12.26%	15876	14509	91.39%	
MARC COMM. RESOURCES	59.69%	40.31%	5712	5232	91.60%	
UCP-ASSOC. SOUTHERN CT	0.00%	100.00%	1384	1268	91.62%	
RESOURCES FOR HUMAN DEV.	90.23%	9.77%	1890	1734	91.75%	
ABILIS, INC	72.05%	27.95%	6426	5914	92.03%	
HOCKANUM INDUSTRIES	0.00%	100.00%	3297	3037	92.11%	•
NEW SEASONS, INC.	81.64%	18.36%	3904	3613	92.55%	
VINFEN CORP OF CT	97.32%	2.68%	630	591	93.81%	
CAMP HORIZONS PROGRAMS	45.86%	54.14%	3484	3273	93.94%	
FAMILY OPTIONS	82.97%	17.03%	581	546	93.98%	
WILA	87.78%	12.22%	398	377	94.72%	25%
ALTERNATIVE ENRICHMENT BEL-	0.00%	100.00%	259	246	94.91%	
MARRAKECH HOUSING OPT	76.37%	23.63%	10545	10022	95.04%	
COMMUNITY SYSTEMS, INC	88.72%	11.28%	5521	5257	95.22%	
RELIANCE HOUSE	80.94%	19.06%	105	101	96.19%	
OPPORTUNITY HOUSE, INC.	71.47%	28.53%	1785	1739	97.42%	
EASTERN COMM. DEV. CORP	90.68%	9.32%	840	824	98.10%	
RMS DEVELOPMENT	98.95%	1.05%	315	309	98.10%	
MAY INSTITUTE, INC (THE)	91.61%	8.39%	188	186	98.94%	
INSTITUTE PROF. PRACTICE	96.40%	3.60%	210	209	99.52%	
CARING COMMUNITY OF CT	80.97%	19.03%	4830	4809	99.57%	
ALTERNATIVE SERVICES,INC	97.95%	2.05%	105	106	100.95%	
ARC OF SOUTHINGTON	96.28%	3.72%	252	255	101.19%	
ICES	84.93%	15.07%	1365	1385	101.47%	
BENHAVEN INC.	82.68%	17.32%	105	107	101.90%	10%
MOSAIC	92.49%	7.51%	2839	2899	102.11%	
SUNSET HILL, INC.	69.07%	30.93%	170	174	102.35%	
CONTINUUM OF CARE, INC.	91.50%	8.50%	567	581	102.47%	
NORTH AMERICAN FAMILY INST	92.31%	7.69%	105	108	102.86%	
OPTIONS UNLIMITED, INC.	94.86%	5.14%	105	108	102.86%	
FUTURES, INC.	0.00%	100.00%	525	542	103.24%	
CATHOLIC CHARITIES	95.97%	4.03%	500	522	104.44%	
KEY HUMAN SERVICES, INC	97.75%	2.25%	210	245	116.67%	
Total			495932	439244	88.57%	

Total 100% Day Agencies	25	172668	152230	88.16%
Total Day agencies below average	12	74269	63949	86.10%
Total Day agencies above average	13	98399	88281	89.72%