

# **DDS EXECUTIVE BRIEFS**

## **An Update on CT DDS Initiatives**

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### **Community Living Arrangement, Community Training Home and HCBS Waiver Regulations**

Regulations governing the licensure of community living arrangements (CLA) were last updated in 1992. They are currently under revision in order to closely align with the department's quality system. Compliance with CLA regulations will be informed by outcomes found through the Quality System Review tool, and enhancement of services to individuals will be developed, tracked and monitored through the quality improvement plan process.

The Community Training Home (CTH) regulations, first promulgated in 1990, are also in the process of revision by a workgroup composed of private and public CTH coordinators, central office quality management staff, and a regional self advocate coordinator. The regulations will be revised to reflect current best practices across the state.

Regulations governing the DDS Home and Community Based waiver services are nearly complete. Input has been provided by the Parties in ACT/CT v. O'Meara and Wilson-Coker, and additional changes have been made to reflect the current waivers administrated by the Department of Social Services and operated by the DDS.

Once all regulations are completed, the approval process will commence and all interested parties will have the opportunity to comment.

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