

(3) DEVELOP AN INTERAGENCY FUNDING APPROACH TO MAXIMIZE EFFICIENCIES AND STREAMLINE ACCESS TO SERVICES AND SUPPORT FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES;

(4) FORMULATE POLICIES ON LEGISLATIVE ISSUES AND, UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE GOVERNOR, COMMUNICATE THE POLICIES TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND

(5) DEVELOP THE STATE DISABILITIES PLAN.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former SG § 9-1115(b).

Defined terms: "Board" § 7-101

"Disability" § 7-101

7-132. STATE DISABILITIES PLAN.

(A) COORDINATION OF SUPPORT SERVICES.

THE STATE DISABILITIES PLAN SHALL PROVIDE FOR THE COORDINATION OF SUPPORT SERVICES THAT:

(1) ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE FEDERAL AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT AND OTHER RELEVANT FEDERAL AND STATE PROVISIONS INTENDED TO PROTECT THE CIVIL RIGHTS OF INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES;

(2) ARE NECESSARY FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES TO ACHIEVE MAXIMUM PARTICIPATION IN THE MAINSTREAM OF THE COMMUNITY IN THE MOST INTEGRATED SETTING POSSIBLE; AND

(3) ADDRESS, ON A STATEWIDE BASIS, THE IMPROVEMENT OF:

(I) THE CAPACITY OF COMMUNITIES TO SUPPORT INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES WITH PERSONAL ATTENDANT CARE AND OTHER LONG-TERM CARE OPTIONS THAT ARE SELF-DIRECTED;

(II) THE AVAILABILITY OF ACCESSIBLE, INTEGRATED, AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPTIONS;

(III) RELIABLE TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS;

(IV) EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING OPTIONS, INCLUDING SELF-EMPLOYMENT AND NONCONGREGANT COMPETITIVE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE IN AN INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH THERE ARE INDIVIDUALS WITH AND WITHOUT DISABILITIES;

(V) SOMATIC AND MENTAL HEALTH OPTIONS;

(VI) ACCESSIBLE AND UNIVERSALLY DESIGNED TECHNOLOGY;

(VII) SUPPORT SERVICES FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND THEIR FAMILIES TO ENABLE THEM TO ACHIEVE SUCCESSFUL LEARNING; AND

(VIII) FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES, INCLUDING RESPITE CARE.