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October 13, 1997

Tara Barenok
Governor's Council on Developmental
Disabilities
444 Lafayette Road
St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Tara,

Thank you for attending the first Strategic Resource Committee meeting for Minnesota's Self Determination Project.

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Since our last meeting we have used the small group ideas to assure we are addressing activities, specialized assistance, and training to support and promote self determination. We appreciated feedback and ideas from your perspective and group(s) you represent.

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NOVEMBER 14, 1997

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What are suggestions to support self determination principles and the Project?

- ▶ Consumers need information
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- ▶ Consumers need opportunities to experience the benefits and risks of decision making
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What could make self determination happen from your organization's point of view?

- ▶ System redesign
- ▶ Quality assurance
- ▶ Identify and eliminate the barriers
- ▶ Develop consumer satisfaction surveys
- ▶ Support mentoring and consumer control
- ▶ Support informed decision making and choice
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In Attendance: Linda Soifetus, Dan Reed, Bob Hafzani, Tom Alf, Cliff Poetz, Kerry Burak, Bruce Nelson, Lynne Megan, Susan Warwick. Visitor – Barb Roberts.

Barb Roberts - DHS

Self Determination – Presentation

- 17 States working with grant – recent National Conference.
- Consider how to participate – What do we have to offer? Consider:
 - “Un-bundle service”
 - “Menu-driven by the consumer”

In Minnesota-

- Focusing primarily on Waivered Services. At current time – most “usable” service
- “Do things differently...”
- \$400,00 grant for 3 years – with matching mechanisms – state and county \$’s.
 - Looking to use consultants to support project
 - Self Advocacy
 - Individual Supports

Self Determination – 3 Components

1. Education – Needs to happen – for consumer, their family, the community
2. System Redesign
3. Technical Development for Individually Controlled \$s.

Etc. Info:

- Dakota County – Working on the “checkbook” model
- Consider liability issues (Committee of S.D. project is working with the issue(s))
- Dan – “consider developing model after a trust”
- Service manager - who will this person be?
- Consumer as the employer – allowing choice- whether or NOT they want to be the employer
 - ? Fiscal Intermediary status, etc.
- Olmsted County looking to take 90% of current spending with the remaining 10% to go into a “risk pool.”
- Project is still small. At the end of 3 years – 200 individuals are projected to be a part of the project.

Lynne- discussed with the ACO group – study to find all \$’s in the system.

Next Meeting – Wednesday, November 5th @ 9:00a.m. – @ *Apem*

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