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To: Family Members/Consumers
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As you may know, Community Partners has hosted two forums in 2009 to provide information and get input from consumers, families and other stakeholders in our services. Our goal is to work collaboratively to manage potential changes to the Developmental Services system and determine ways in which we may make services more cost-effective and efficient. Several subcommittees have emerged from these forums, including System Design, Fundraising and Development and Community Collaborations. We have attached the notes from the most recent forum for your information.

As a follow up to these forums, Matthew Ertas, Director of the Bureau of Developmental Services, will be available to meet with families on Thursday, April 23rd from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm at the Rochester Community Office, 25 Old Dover Road. He will describe the evolution of the Developmental Services system to date and talk with families about next steps. We expect that Matthew may have information on the Developmental Services Wait List as well.

I hope that you are able to make time in your busy schedules to attend this important meeting. Your voice is critical in these challenging times.

Please RSVP to Martha Green at 516-9357 by April 21st. Light refreshments will be served.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.