



FLORIDA DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COUNCIL, INC.

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ALTERNATIVE RESIDENTIAL OPTIONS WORK GROUP

**FIRST MEETING SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY, JULY 24TH
10:00 AM TO 4:00 PM**

The discussions surrounding Planned Residential Communities during this past session has raised a number of issues for individuals with developmental disabilities, families, developmental disabilities service providers and advocates. An Alternative Residential Options Work Group is being formed to provide an avenue for understanding all sides of the issue and an opportunity to develop consensus. Participants identified to serve on the Alternative Residential Options Work Group consist of individuals with developmental disabilities and families representing diverse views and different players in the system such as service providers, advocacy organization, and legislative representatives.

Other interested individuals may attend the work group meetings and listen to the work group discussions in person or may via conference call. An opportunity to offer public comment will be provided at the end of each work group meeting to both the individuals at the meeting and those listening on the phone.

Four meetings of the Alternative Residential Options Work Group are planned, one each month from July through October. **The first meeting of the work group is scheduled for Friday, July 24th from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. This meeting will be held at the Florida Department of Law Enforcement Classrooms A & B on the third floor Quad #2 located at 2331 Phillips Road, Tallahassee Florida.**

The Florida Developmental Disabilities Council has set up a page on our web-site (www.fddc.org) where you can find a detailed description of this initiative. This web-page will also be the source of future information relative to the work group, such as meeting dates and locations, agendas, summaries of previous meetings, and as much of the meeting materials as possible.

Please go to the Council's website for information about dates and locations of future meetings.