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Department of Health and Human Services
DOJ Settlement Agreement



Department of Justice Settlement: Transitions to Community Living Background

- DRNC Complaint letter (2010) and DOJ findings (2011)
 - State prioritizes investment in congregate settings (ACH) at the expense of community-based settings
- On August 23, 2012, North Carolina signed a settlement agreement with the US DOJ to settle claims that the state of North Carolina had violated the American with Disabilities Act.



Implementation Phase

- In Reach and Transition
- Diversion
- Supportive Housing
- Supported Employment
- Assertive Community Treatment
- Quality Management



Next Steps

- Continued refinement in all areas of implementation to expedite process
- Implementation of Strategic Action Plan on Supported Employment
- Continued development of Supportive Housing Plan to ensure more access to safe affordable housing
- Continued development of services and supports to attain and maintain housing

