



## STATE OF NEW YORK | EXECUTIVE CHAMBER

New York State is hosting three public forums to solicit suggestions from the public on ways to improve the delivery of services to people with disabilities in the most integrated community settings.

Please use the following questions for the public forums or to provide on-line suggestions. Suggestions should include specific recommendations for how services and supports can be used to help people with disabilities to live, work and interact in their community.

### Independence and Community Integration

1. What are the most important services and supports that individuals with disabilities, regardless of age, need in order to live independently in the community?
2. What are the top three things that state government can do to help individuals with disabilities, regardless of age, to be integrated and socially connected to their community?

### Transition and Diversion from Institutional Settings

1. What are the most important things people need to successfully transition from institutions and nursing homes to community settings?
2. What are the most important services and supports that individuals need in order to stay out of institutions and nursing homes or reduce the amount of time they stay in institutions or nursing homes?

### Housing

1. What types of affordable, accessible and integrated housing do individuals with disabilities, regardless of age, need?
2. What are the top three things that can be done to increase the availability of affordable, accessible and integrated housing?

### Transportation

1. What types of affordable and accessible transportation do individuals with disabilities, regardless of age, need?

2. What are the top three things that can be done to increase the availability of affordable and accessible transportation?

#### Employment

1. What are the top three things that should be done to increase integrated employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities?

#### Systems Change

1. How can community supports for individuals with disabilities, regardless of age, be better coordinated across state agency systems?
2. What types of regulatory or policy reforms are needed in order to support community living for individuals with disabilities, regardless of age?

#### Measuring Success

1. What performance measures should be used to track progress in implementing the New York State Olmstead Plan? How will we know when the state has been successful at helping individuals with disabilities, regardless of age live successfully in the community?
2. What is the best way to share information about the New York State Olmstead Plan with the public?