



AGENDA

OVERSIGHT HEARING

**Employment First: A Priority for California.
An Opportunity for People with Developmental Disabilities.**

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Jim Beall, Jr., Chair

Tuesday, August 23, 2011

1:30 p.m.

State Capitol, Room 437

I. Opening Remarks

- **Assembly Member Jim Beall, Jr., Chair, Assembly Human Services Committee**
- **Committee Members**

II. A National Perspective on Employment of People with Developmental Disabilities & Employment First

- **William E. Kiernan, Ph.D.,** Director of the Institute for Community Inclusion (University Center on Excellence in Developmental Disabilities) and Research Professor in the Graduate College of Education and the McCormack School of Policy Studies at the University of Massachusetts at Boston (See attached Bio.)

III. Overview of the 2011 Employment First Report: Employment First Committee, State Council on Developmental Disabilities

- **Olivia Raynor, Ph.D.**, Director, Tarjan Center; Adjunct Professor, Dept. of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences, University of California Los Angeles; Chair, Employment First Committee, State Council on Developmental Disabilities

IV. Increasing Integrated Competitive Employment Opportunities for People with Developmental Disabilities in California: Current Activities and a Look to the Future

- **Julia Mullen**, Deputy Director, Community Services and Supports Division, Department of Developmental Services
- **Karen Ingram**, Director of Community Services, Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center, for the Association of Regional Center Agencies
- **William Moore**, Deputy Director, Employment Preparation Services, Department of Rehabilitation
- **Dennis Petrie**, Deputy Director, Workforce Services, Employment Development Department

V. Employment First: Increasing Integrated Competitive Employment. Stakeholder Perspectives

- **Tony Anderson**, Executive Director, The Arc of California
- **Evelyn Abouhassan, Esq.**, Senior Legislative Advocate, Disability Rights California
- **Molly Kennedy**, Member, Area Board XIII; Member, State Council on Developmental Disabilities Consumer Advisory Committee
- **Dale Dutton**, Principal and Founder, D³ Associates, Larkspur
- **Dusty Dutton**, Founder, Dusty's Puppets, San Rafael
- **Sara Murphy**, Director, WorkLink, San Francisco, TransCen, Inc.

VI. Public Comment

VII. Closing Remarks

- **Assembly Member Jim Beall, Jr.**
- **Members of the Committee**

Biographical Statement

William E. Kiernan, Ph.D.

William E. Kiernan is the Director of the Institute for Community Inclusion (University Center on Excellence in Developmental Disabilities) and Research Professor in the Graduate College of Education and the McCormack School of Policy Studies at the University of Massachusetts at Boston. The Institute is a joint program of the University of Massachusetts at Boston and the Children's Hospital also in Boston. For the past 38 years Dr. Kiernan has served in a variety of capacities in the Institute for Community Inclusion, as a senior staff member of the Children's Hospital and been a member of the faculty of the University of Massachusetts at Boston for more than 20 years.

Dr. Kiernan has served as an international consultant in seven countries in the development of adult service systems for persons with disabilities and has provided training and technical assistance in more than 45 states. He is the author of more than 125 articles and reports in the field of disabilities with a specific emphasis on transition, employment, public policy development, workforce development and systemic change. Dr. Kiernan has been a member of several national boards, has served as the President of the American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (AAIDD) (formerly the American Association on Mental Retardation) as well as the President of the Association of University Centers on Disabilities (AUCD).

In addition to holding a Ph.D. in Rehabilitation and Special Education from Boston College, he has a Masters in Rehabilitation Counseling and a second Masters in Business Administration with a concentration in Health Care Management from Boston University.