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Agency: DEPARTMENT AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES DADS

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed:

We would need the same individualized care plans provided by the SSLC's from private ICF Penalties for safety violations in private ICFs have no consequences. Why?

Inspections of private ICFs are not comprehensive and don't ensure the safety and welfare of our loved ones. We need inspections that mirror the SSLC requirements.

Day Habilitation Programs are poorly organized, staffed by people with little or no training to support the disabled, offer little in the form of vocational skill development, are frequently conducted in unsafe environments, and are not individually focused to support varying disabilities.

Private ICF homes are not required to provide high quality community interaction activities

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: The Commission's cost data is faulty. Private ICF costs don't reflect medical services provided and paid by Medicaid. We want them to reexamine this data with a more critical eye. We want apples to apples evaluations, not apple to orange evaluations.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree