

**AB 12 Stakeholders Meeting
July 14, 2011**

***Discussion Guide and Feedback Form
Licensing and Approval Breakout Groups Discussion***

General Instructions

- A facilitator has been assigned to lead each breakout group.
- The facilitator will ask someone to volunteer as a recorder and document your group's responses and questions on the form.
- Your group will have 40 minutes for your discussion.

Please respond to the questions below which feel appropriate for your breakout group and/or interests.

I. EXPECTATION OF ASSISTANCE TO BE PROVIDED BY THE CAREGIVER

The draft regulation currently states: "A "nonminor dependent" shall receive assistance from the caregiver in developing the skills necessary for self-sufficiency. These skills may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (1) Financial literacy,
- (2) Cooking,
- (3) Identifying a suitable home and home maintenance,
- (4) Child care,
- (5) Automotive repair,
- (6) Educational and career development,
- (7) Obtaining dental, medical, and mental health care, and
- (8) Access to community and resources.
- (9) Developing and reaching goals.
- (10) Self-care, including performing his or her own laundry, including but not limited to washing, drying, and ironing his or her personal clothing.

A. What is your reaction to this regulation and requirement of caregivers or providers?

B. The move is away from ILP and having these skills taught in the home. Is this a reasonable expectation of foster family homes, caregivers, etc?

C. Is there any way you would rephrase the regulation to make the expectations more clear?

II. CAREGIVER ABSENCE

The draft regulation currently states: "A "nonminor dependent" may be left in the home alone for longer than 72 hours unless prohibited by the social worker, probation officer, court order, or the licensing or approval agency."

If the caregiver plans to be absent from the home for longer than 72 hours, the caregiver shall provide verbal or written notification to the social worker or probation officer for a "nonminor dependent" prior to the caregiver's absence from the home. Notification shall include:

- a. The dates the caregiver plans to be absent from the home.
- b. An emergency number where the caregiver may be reached in their absence.

A. Is this regulation reasonable?

B. Is 72 hours too long before the caregiver needs to get approval? Not long enough?

C. Should the caregiver be required to get approval from the agency at all?

