

# “You are Invited....”

Outcome of visit *by or with* Legislator

Family Name \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Legislator \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Visit \_\_\_\_\_

**Visit *from* legislator:**

Please indicate *where* your legislator visited your family. (i.e., home, party, group setting)

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**Office visit:**

\_\_\_\_\_ My Family                      \_\_\_\_\_ My family with one or more other families

Was the individual with a disability present?      Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

What State Agency (agencies) did you discuss? \_\_\_\_\_

***Important.*** Please share feedback about the visit. Questions-comments made by legislator? Use back of form if necessary.

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## A Legislative Campaign to Inform Legislators about Family Support

### *Information to share regarding all EOHHS agencies*

- Most people with disabilities in Massachusetts are cared for at home by their families who need flexible supports designed to supplement their natural ability to provide this care.
- Family support is a proven and cost-effective service that dramatically undercuts the potential costs to the state for out-of-home placement.
- Family support services currently represent a tiny percentage of EOHHS funding and are not broadly available across the disability spectrum.
- Funding for flexible family support services needs to be significantly expanded and made available to many more families in the Commonwealth.

### *Information specifically pertaining to DDS (DMR)*

*(Refer to the Fact Sheet <http://www.mfofc.org/campaign/rallyforpeoplefirst-factsheet.pdf> for additional information)*

Over \$85 million in cuts translates into ...

- 11,000 children and adults losing support services that keep families & lives together!
- 1,000 plus people will lose employment or day services! (includes Mass Rehab Comm-MRC)
- 200 Children with Autism will lose partial or all services!
- Thousands of Direct Support Professionals have been left out of the budget!