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MEMORANDUM

To: Interested parties
From: Secretary Ann L. Hartstein and Commissioner Charles Carr
RE: Expansion of Long Term Care Options Counseling Program
Date: April 15, 2010

We are pleased to announce the implementation of the expansion of the Long Term Care Options Counseling Program (LTC-OC), to all Aging and Disability Resource Consortia (ADRCs) across the state. As you know, this is an initiative supported by the passage of the Equal Choice bill, enacted through Chapter 211 of the Acts of 2006.

Over the past year, the Options Counseling program has helped to advance the state's Community First agenda in three geographic areas by ensuring that individuals in need of long term support services have the information and decision support that they need to make an informed choice about where and how they receive services.

This expansion across the Commonwealth will help to ensure access to consumers seeking relevant information about long term support options and decision support at a variety of points in the planning process.

For more information contact the ADRC in your area.

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Ann L. Hartstein
Executive Office of Elder Affairs

Handwritten signature of Charles Carr in blue ink.

Charles Carr, Commissioner
Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission