

MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 16, 2008

TO: All Members of the Delaware State Senate

FROM: Ms. Daniese McMullin-Powell
Chairperson
State Council for Persons with Disabilities

RE: H.B. 409

The State Council for Persons with Disabilities (SCPD) has reviewed H.B. 409 and endorses the concept of the proposed legislation. Currently statutory anti-retaliation and protective provisions for patients and others only apply to licensed long-term care (LTC) facilities. Only part of the Delaware Psychiatric Center (DPC) is a licensed LTC facility. This Bill, to protect all patients and employees at DPC, applies such protections to all the DPC facilities.

Thank you for your consideration and please contact SCPD if you have any questions regarding our position on the proposed legislation.

cc: The Honorable Ruth Ann Minner
All Members of the House of Representatives
Governor's Advisory Council for Exceptional Citizens
Developmental Disabilities Council

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