



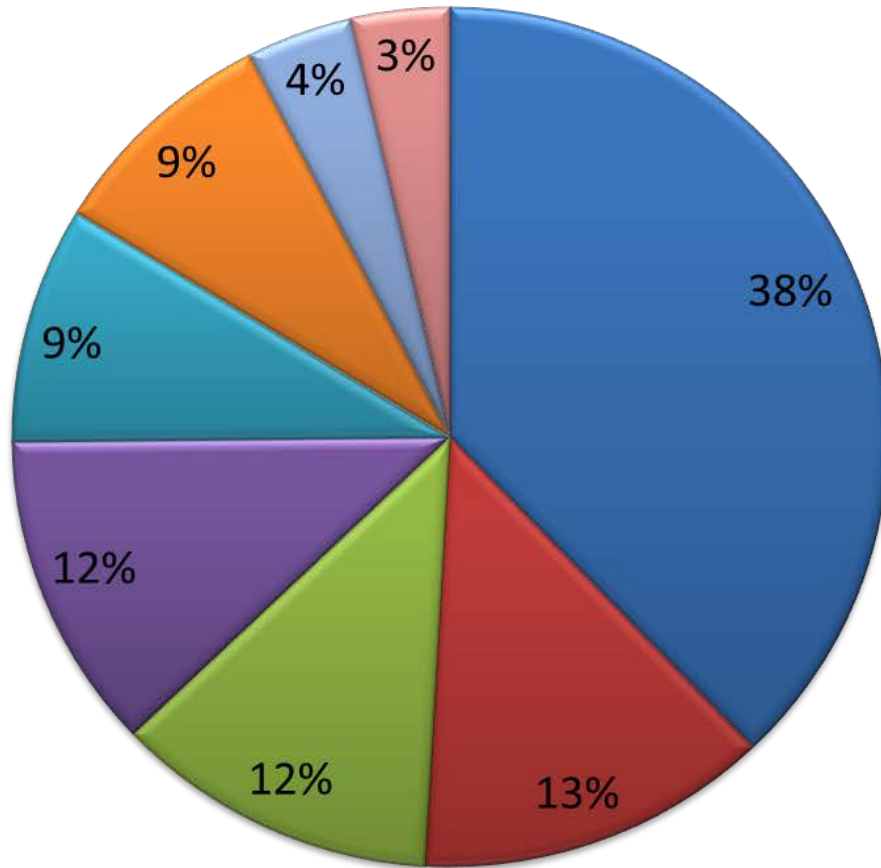
# **Standing Committee On Community Services Handout**

**March 4, 2014**

# SPD Continuum of Supports February 21, 2014

<u>Type of Facility/Program</u>	<u># of Homes</u>	<u>#of Beds/Clients</u>
Alternative Family Support	125	203
Independent Living Support		677
Direct Family Support (Children & Adults)		1918
Enhanced Family Support (Children & Adults)		41
<b><u>TOTAL UNLICENSED SERVICE OPTIONS</u></b>	<b>125</b>	<b>2839</b>
Small Option Homes (Children & Adults)	205	619
Residential Care Centre	22	450
Group Homes/Developmental Residences	104	621
Adult Residential Centre	7	461
Regional Rehabilitation Centre	5	189
<b><u>TOTAL LICENSED SERVICE OPTIONS</u></b>	<b>343</b>	<b>2340</b>
Adult Service Centres (Day Programs)	30 Centres	1990
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>468</b>	<b>5,179</b>

# Supports by Service Model - February 21, 2014



- Direct Family Support (38%)
- Independent Living Support (13%)
- Group & Developmental Homes (12%)
- Small Option (12%)
- Adult Residential Centre (9%)
- Residential Care Facility (9%)
- Alternative Family Support (4%)
- Regional Rehabilitation Centres (3%)

Residential Placement: 33%  
Community Placement: 67%

# SPD Residential Support Options

**Alternative Family Support (AFS)** - provides an approved family-like setting for those individuals who require varying levels of support and supervision, prefer living with a family and will benefit from the additional support a family environment can provide.

**Independent Living Support (ILS)** – provides support and services to individuals who live in their own apartment or home and who are semi-independent and require a minimal level of support (up to twenty-one hours per week).

**Direct Family Support/Enhanced Family Support (DFS / EFS)** – provides financial assistance and support to families who care for a family member, either a child or an adult with a disability at home. Funding is provided to help assist with costs related to the family members disability. Enhanced Family Support is a component of this program that provides funding to help families to support children and adults with disabilities at home when their care and support needs are considered extremely challenging and they require highly structured and skilled forms of support and intervention, EFS allows families to hire support workers who have specialized training, education/experience related to the needs of the child or participant.

# SPD Residential Support Options

**Small Option Homes (SOH)** – provide support to up to four adults with disabilities and are licensed under the Homes for Special Care Act/Regulations. Qualified staff provide support in approved locations or through a combination of live-in and shift models.

**Small Options Homes – Children** - residential homes that provide full-time licensed care to children with disabilities in groups of up to four children. Qualified staff provide support to individuals with a variety of needs in approved locations through a combination of live-in and shift staffing models

**Residential Care Facility (RCF)** – provide a residential support option to four or more ambulatory or semi-ambulatory individuals with disabilities who require minimal support and supervision with routine personal care activities, community skills/activities and illness supervision. Support needs are primarily limited to assistance with personal care.

**Adult Residential Centres (ARC)** – provide long-term structured supports and services to individuals with disabilities to enhance their development of interpersonal, community oriented skills and activities of daily living. Approved staffing is provided on a 24/7 day a week basis by on-site professional staff.

# SPD Residential Support Options

**Group Homes & Developmental Residences (GH/DR)** – provide a continuum of developmental rehabilitation programs for individuals with disabilities within a small (4-12 people) residential setting. Developmental residences and group homes emphasize the development of inter-personal, community oriented skills and activities of daily living. Group Homes primarily serve younger adults with a diagnosis of one or more of the following: intellectual disability, long-term mental illness, or physical disability. Developmental Residences primarily serve younger adults with a diagnosis of intellectual disability or dual diagnosis.

**Regional Rehabilitation Centre (RRC)** – provide both rehabilitation and developmental programs to individuals with disabilities who require an intensive level of support and supervision related to complex behavioral challenges and skill development needs. Approved staffing is provided on a 24/7 day a week basis by on-site professional staff.

**Adult Service Centres (Day Programs) ASC** – provide structured pre-vocational and vocational day programs for adults with disabilities (intellectual disability, long-term mental illness and/or physical disability) using meaningful work as the vehicle for development in personal, social, vocational and employment skills development.

# SPD Budget – Fiscal 2013/14

- Overall budget is \$267 million in 2013/14.
- This is a budget increase of 40% over the last decade with only a limited increase in capacity.
- Transforming services for persons with disabilities will require developing sustainable approaches.

# SPD Wait List for Residential Supports

- 1,062 individuals are on a Wait list as of January, 2014.
- Individuals receiving support through Direct Family Support (448).
- Individuals receiving other residential/community supports (267).
- Individuals with no SPD supports (347).
- Of the 1,062 individuals on the waitlist, 587 require a residential option within the next year.



# SPD Transformation

- This government signaled early on, a commitment to the transformation of supports, programs, and services for Nova Scotians with disabilities.
- The Joint Community-Government Advisory Committee guided the development of the Roadmap.
- This work is guided by the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.
- We will continue to need all voices throughout this process from families, disabilities advocates, service providers and staff.

# Planning for Transformation

- Leadership appointment of an Associate Deputy Minister of Strategy and Transformation with Community Services.
- We are implementing a road map – a multi year plan for the transformation of the system.
- Financial and program analysis and planning is well underway.
- The Joint Community-Government Advisory Committee is coming together in mid-March, 2014.