

NEGOTIATION UPDATE:

DDD Community Care & Respite Providers

At the last minute, the bargaining session scheduled for Thursday, October 29 was cancelled by the State as we tried to work out details on who would be at the table. The CWA Committee felt it was important to ensure there would be a representative at the table from the highest level of the Governor's office in order to move negotiations forward quickly. The Committee now has a commitment for David Beckett, Director of the Governor's Office of Employee Relations to be at the table for negotiations over the contract for sponsors.

Due to the length of time it has taken to get negotiations moving – including this most recent delay – CWA has now assigned its New Jersey Area Director, Hetty Rosenstein and lead attorney in New Jersey, Steve Weissman to lead the CWA Committee in negotiations.

All parties now involved in negotiations have confirmed the all day session on Monday, November 23rd and will seek to schedule additional dates through the end of the year. The CWA Committee has already submitted many proposals in advance to the State in anticipation of a productive meeting on the 23rd and a hopeful resolution to the contract in only a few sessions.

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