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To: Delaware General Assembly

From: Developmental Disabilities Council

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RE: H.B. No. 37 Mental Health Patients' Bill of Rights Notification and Forms

The Developmental Disabilities Council has reviewed H.B. No. 37 Mental Health Patients' Bill of Rights Notification and Forms. We understand that this Bill would require mental health hospitals and residential centers covered by the Mental Health Patients' Bill of Rights Act to report deaths and critical incidents to the state agency authorized to investigate such incidents.

The DD Council **strongly supports H.B. No. 37**. Should you have any questions regarding our comments please contact our office at 739-3333. Thank you.

cc. Rita Landgraf, Secretary DHSS
State Council for Persons with Disabilities
Governor's Advisory Council for Exceptional Citizens



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