

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

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**TO INTERESTED PARTIES**

Senate Bill 82, signed by the Governor June 24, 2015, requires the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) to submit a plan, or plans, to the Legislature by October 1, 2015, to close one or more of the state's three remaining developmental centers. Efforts are underway to submit a plan to close Sonoma Developmental Center (SDC) in Eldridge, CA by the end of 2018. As a required part of the development of a closure plan specific to SDC, DDS is seeking public comment from interested persons and organizations. These comments will be summarized in the closure plan to be submitted by October 1, 2015, for Legislative approval.

**A Public Hearing on the Transformation of
Sonoma Developmental Center**

Will be conducted by the Department of Developmental Services

**Saturday, July 18, 2015
10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

Conference Call Line: (800) 230-1059

Sonoma Valley High School
Pavilion
20000 Broadway
Sonoma, CA 95476

Agenda

(Additional copies of this agenda may be obtained at:
<http://www.dds.ca.gov/SonomaNews/index.cfm>)

Introduction	10:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.
Public Testimony	10:15 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

To assure that each person has an opportunity to speak, each speaker is requested to limit their comments to a maximum of 5 minutes.

“Building Partnerships, Supporting Choices”

Written Comments

All written comments must be received by 5 p.m. on September 1, 2015. Written comments may be submitted in a variety of ways, including:

- In person at the hearing
 - A box will be available at the sign-in table that you can drop comments into.
- Via the online DDS form at: <http://www.dds.ca.gov/SonomaNews/>
- By mail to DDS at the following address:

Department of Developmental Services
Developmental Centers Division
Attention: Cindy Coppage
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- Via e-mail to Sonoma.closure@dds.ca.gov

Accessibility & Accommodations

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A call-in line is being provided to accommodate individuals who cannot attend the hearing in person.

Conference Line: (800) 230-1059

Please dial-in several minutes in advance of when you'd like to join the call, in order to have time to talk with the operator and be connected to the hearing.

Questions

If you have questions concerning the closure process for SDC, please send an e-mail message to: sonoma.closure@dds.ca.gov, or call (916) 654-1706.