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### **DDS South Region Offices Moving Location**

(Wallingford) -Department of Developmental Services (DDS) South Region Headquarters is moving to a new location in Wallingford, Connecticut on November 22, 2013. The new offices, located at 35 Thorpe Avenue, 3rd Floor are located off Exit 15 on Interstate 91.

“This has been a long time in coming,” said DDS Commissioner Terrence W. Macy, Ph.D. “To move this number of employees is a huge undertaking but in the end, the new location will offer a more efficient work space, better technology and easier access. I want to thank our information technology, engineering, maintenance, administrative and South Region staffs for their guidance and dedication to this project.”

The move will begin at the close of business on Friday, November 22nd and commence by Monday, November 25th. During this time, all phone lines will still be operational and the telephone numbers will remain the same. If anyone has an emergency, the On-Call-Manager can be reached at 1-866-392-8233.

Over the past 18 months, DDS administrators have been planning the move. In total, 127 employees will be relocated. The headquarters serves 5,365 DDS individuals and families located from the Rhode Island border to New Haven and north to Meriden and Norwich.

Thomas Quote: “The new Wallingford office will be a welcome environment for individuals, families and staff. The South Region staff have been working hard to prepare for this move and will be rewarded with a work place that values the important work that they do. I appreciate all the assistance that we’ve had from our fellow state agencies---including the Bureau of Enterprise Systems Technology (BEST) and the Department of Administrative Services (DAS), in bringing this relocation to fruition. The collaboration with our private partners has also been outstanding in introducing a new level of technology efficiency to our work force. We’re very grateful for the assistance and support we’ve received to make this happen.”

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