

**Ascension Parish
Coordinated System of Care
Statement of Commitment**

March 30, 2011

Ascension Parish is in Region 4 under Act 1225 of the 2003 Regular Session and in the service area of Capital Area Human Services District (CAHSD) for mental health, behavioral health, substance abuse, and developmental disabilities services. CAHSD is in Region 2 under Act 1225. Ascension Parish governmental entities, stakeholders, and providers have met with each other and with Regions 2 and 4 Coordinated System of Care (CSoC) planning committees to determine the best place for our children and families within Louisiana's CSoC. We have determined that it is in the best interest of the target population in Ascension Parish for us to remain with CAHSD, and therefore Region 2, for the CSoC. Several of our members are currently serving on workgroups to develop the CSoC plan for Region 2, and we are committed to the implementation of the CSoC.

By signing below, the following stakeholders commit to the development of the Region 2 Coordinated System of Care plan and respectfully request that Ascension Parish be allowed to remain with Region 2 for the Coordinated System of Care.

Tommy Martinez, Parish President
Parish of Ascension

Ralph Tureau, Chief Judge
23rd Judicial District Court

Marilyn Lambert, Judge
Ascension Parish Court

Ricky Babin, District Attorney
23rd Judicial District

Patrice Pujol, Superintendent
Ascension Parish School Board

Cindy Phillips, Regional Manager
Department of Children & Families

Jeff Wiley, Sheriff
Ascension Parish Sheriff's Office

Stephanie Breeden, Lead Advocate Supervisor
Child Advocacy Services/CASA

Lyn Hassenboehler, Director
23rd JDC Families in Need of Services

Jamie Tindle, Director
Families Helping Families of GBR

Ryan Rife, Manager
Gonzales Mental Health Center

Suzanne Hamilton, Clinical Manager
Ascension Counseling Center

Jan Kasofsky, Executive Director
Capital Area Human Services District

Alan Robert, District Defender
23rd JDC Public Defender's Office

Tamiko Garrison
AMI Kids Donaldsonville

Ersalee Unangst, Juvenile Public Defender
23rd JDC Public Defender's Office
