ASD Connections
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Community Systems Workgroup

Obstacles
1. Funding
   Insurance, Medicaid, Private Pay
   Parent consultative models are not available – those that are RDI, social communication, or relationship based for example

2. Treatment Models
   Available models. Not a one-size-fits-all treatment models.

3. Community Systems of Care
   Infrastructure systems of Care. System of individual advocacy.
   Senior Benefits Specialist model with back-up attorneys does not exist for children

4. Disability Divisiveness
   Create a system or network which all disability groups can rally around similar issues. Divisiveness within the disability community and divisiveness among autism community on issues. Focus on the powerful commonalities that exist in the autism community

5. Communities and natural supports. How do communities build this as a structure? Develop a life course perspective of systems of care for those with Autism. Wraparound program.
   Early Intervention and Preschool
   Public Education
   Family services and support
   Residential services and supports
   Vocational services and supports

   Assure systems are inclusive, accessible, coordinated, integrated, flexible

6. Access to care. Systems that meet the needs of those with Autism – are not available throughout the state. What are the service gaps?