

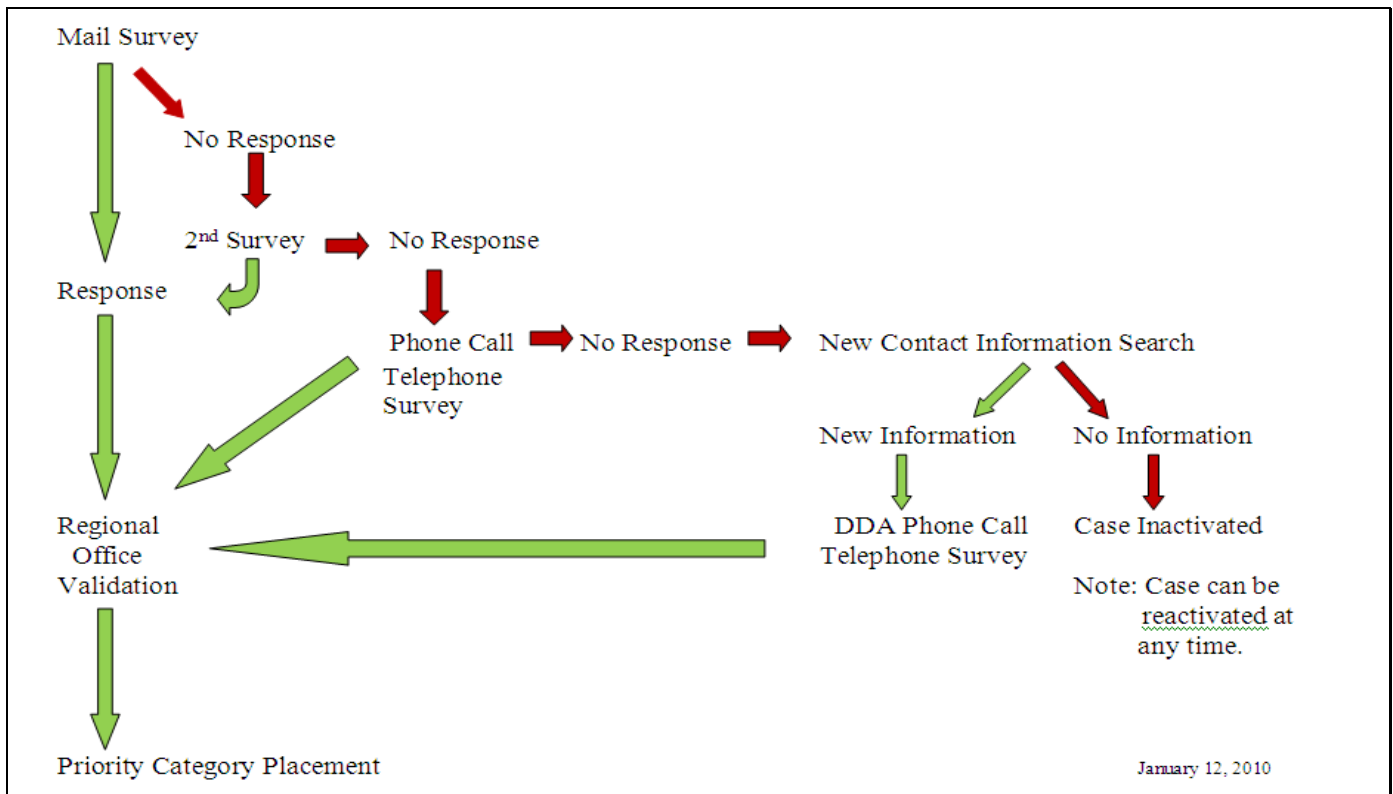
**Agency:** Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH)

**Date of Meeting:** January 19, 2010

Following is a summary of the issues that were discussed at the DHMH Stat on January 19, 2010. Analysis is provided by StateStat and the Governor’s Delivery Unit (GDU).

**General Discussion**

- **Comprehensive Women’s Health Services.** Sites in Baltimore City, Prince George’s County and Somerset County began providing Comprehensive Women’s Health (CWH) services on January 4, 2010 as part of the GDU’s infant mortality reduction strategy. DHMH will continue to update StateStat on the total number of women served using CWH services in the three select jurisdictions.
- **Medicaid Accelerated Certification for Eligibility (ACE).** In the first month of the new accelerated eligibility guidelines, 146 women were enrolled in Medicaid through local health departments and 48 women were enrolled through local departments of social services, for a total of 194 women statewide. The discussion included a recommendation that DHMH explore possibilities to promote new ACE eligibility protocols among other front-line State services systems to ensure that eligible women are referred at all points of access to Medicaid services.
- **Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) Waiting List Clean Up Process.** DDA reviewed the process by which it is reviewing the individuals on its waiting list. The process is illustrated in the following flow chart:



- As of January 12, 2010, 7,166 individuals on the waiting list have not been located and have been inactivated. Efforts are still underway to reach another 5,773 individuals. DDA will continue to update StateStat on efforts to identify where each individual stands on the waiting list.
- **Crisis Definition.** In its follow-up response, DDA provided StateStat with a definition of “crisis” that will be used consistently throughout the Department to identify the needs of DDA-eligible individuals. DDA defines “crisis” as an individual, eligible for DD funding with no viable non-DDA funded alternative that is: homeless, resides in temporary housing, whose caregiver has impaired health, who is at risk of physical harm or is at risk of causing physical harm, as characterized in the following matrix:

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Regulatory Category</b>	<b>Notes</b>
<b>Homeless</b>	<b>Homeless</b>	Family or service provider refuses to allow the person to remain in home; Individual with developmental disability has no place to live.
	<b>Temporary Housing</b>	Clear time limited ability to continue to live in temporary setting with no viable non-DDA funded alternative
	<b>Caregiver Impaired Health</b>	Caregiver unable to provide adequate care due to the caregiver's impaired health, which may place the applicant at risk of serious physical harm
<b>Health and Safety</b>	<b>Risk of Physical Harm</b>	Evidence of recently received severe injury due to behaviors in home or community; recent victim of sexual abuse; neglected to extent at serious risk of sustaining life threatening injuries or impair functioning; at serious risk of sustaining life threatening injuries or impaired functioning due to physical surrounding.
	<b>Risk of Causing Physical Harm</b>	Evidence of recently inflicting or causing physical harm due to behaviors in home or community.

Reference 10.22.12.07B(1)