



State of Tennessee

LAMAR ALEXANDER GOVERNOR

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Mr. John B. Smith
Assistant Regional Program Director
Administration on Developmental Disabilities
Office for Human Development Services
Department of Health and Human Services
Suite 903
101 Mariette Towers
Atlanta, GA 30323

Dear Mr. Smith,

In accordance with Section 113 of Public Law 95-602, I hereby designate Effective Advocacy for Citizens with Handicaps, Inc. (E.A.C.H.) as the agency responsible for the protection and advocacy system for Tennessee effective October 1, 1983. The Tennessee State Planning Office will continue to serve as a liaison between E.A.C.H. and your office.

I share with you a commitment to seeing that the needs of Tennessee's citizens who are developmentally disabled are met and that their rights are protected and enhanced. E.A.C.H. has been a part of the protection and advocacy system in Tennessee since its inception and will help achieve this goal. It is independent of any agency which provides services. It has the authority to pursue legal, administrative and other remedies.

I appreciate your assistance in expediting the transfer of the entire program to E.A.C.H.

Sincerely,


Lamar Alexander

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