Update and Quarterly Report Summary:

State Name: Georgia

(insert your logo and any pictures from events in your state.

Accomplishments from Year One: (October 2013-September 2014)

\_\_*X*\_\_ Surveys Completed

\_\_*X*\_\_ Vlogs Produced

Topics of Vlogs: \_\_Olmstead*, Medicaid buy in*, *Deinstitutionalization, marriage penalty, what does disability mean to me disability awareness.*

Who represented your state on the advisory committee and at the face to face advisory committee meetings?

Nashville \_Bernard Baker, Teresa Coleman

Birmingham \_Bernard Baker, Teresa Coleman

Highlights from your state that you are proud of from Year One:

\_\_Chapters all over state meet every month

\_\_Leadership development, new people

\_\_People First state conference, St Thomas Island Micro-enterprises, employment, Medicaid buy in

\_\_Long Road home- at Carter Center collaborated with Atlanta legal aid and GA DD network

\_\_Self advocacy month, legislative visits

\_\_ Vote Project with P&A

\_\_VBlogs on Medicaid buy in, Long Road Home and collaborated with Atlanta legal aid on their I am Olmstead website

\_\_Supported region 6 rep Bernard Baker

\_Several members did Story Corps, disabilities and living in the community

\_Participated in (GWI) GA Winter Institute Georgia State (UCEDD), Real communities (DD council) and Children’s Freedom Intuitive (whole DD network) Self Advocacy Mentoring project (SAM) (P&A), sidewalks fixed

Report October, 2014- June, 2015:

Advisory Committee Meetings: List self advocates and others who attended these meetings;

Oklahoma City: Bernard Baker, Teresa Coleman, Cheri Mitchell

Myrtle Beach: Bernard Baker, Teresa Coleman

Allies, who participated in face to face meetings, supported your plan implementation and webinars:

The Georgia Advocacy office

The Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities

Center for Leadership in Disability at GSU

Autistic Self Advocacy Network of Atlanta

Statewide Independent Living Council of Georgia

Georgia Mental Health consumer Network

disAbility Link, DRC, LIFE, Bainbridge CILs

(SILCGA) State independent Living council of GA

National Federation of Blind of Georgia

People First of Atlanta

Webinars that you participated in this year: (Someone from your state was expected to participate in each webinar)

**February 18:** SALT: Leadership Skills: Number who participated: \_\_1\_\_\_

**April 23**: Strategies for Building an Effective Team:

Number who participated: \_\_1\_\_\_

**June 18**: Strategies for recruiting youth membership recruitment:

 Number who participated: \_\_2\_\_\_

**July 16:** Steps in organizing around an issue:

 Number who participated: \_\_\_\_\_

**August 16**: Partnerships outside of the disability community:

Number who participated: \_\_\_\_\_

**September tad**: Closing Institutions

**Local or state events**

October 2014-June 30, 2015 (8 grassroots events-2 per quarter)

Monthly Chapters meetings and state board meetings

Monthly Long Road home planning meetings Jan to June

Long Road Home outreach (2 one at National SABE conference and Cheri skyped in to People first of West Virginia midyear conference)

Long Road Home events (7 in GA in June and events in 6 other states)

Self- Advocacy Mentoring Project (SAM) meeting 2 (Atlanta and Toccoa GA), speed bumps and crosswalk, getting driver license

Date Vlog submitted (2 needed for year)

*Marriage Penalty, What Disability is to Me.*

Topic(s) of Vlog Marriage Penalty and disability Awareness

Grants obtained with partners to work on priority issues. (Describe the grant and the partners)

$30,000 GA Council on DD ($5000 for Teresa and Bernard)

$1,500 from DBHDD (Behavior Health conference scholarships)

Retreat with Partners: Date(s) Partners who participated

Met with each DD partner individually

Other state plan activities that you are proud of from 2015:

\_\_Chapters all over state meet every month

\_\_Leadership development

\_\_People First state conference

\_\_Long Road home- at carter center collaborated with Atlanta legal aid and GA DD network

\_\_Self advocacy month

\_\_Project vote

\_\_VBlogs on Medicaid buy in, Long Road Home and collaborated with Atlanta legal aid on their I am Olmstead website

\_\_Supported Region 6 alternate Teresa Coleman

\_Participated in (GWI) GA Winter Institute (UCEDD), Adversary Council (UCEDD) and Children’s Freedom Initiative (whole DD network) Self Advocacy Mentoring project (SAM) (P&A)

Possible work for year 3

Webinar topic on Diversity

Established events and meetings

Vote project going to the nursing homes now

Encouraging meetings outside of service centers (others cannot attend)

Real Medicaid buy-in in relationships to ABLE act