2010 Highlights

CBVI Vision Screenings

CBVI’s Prevention of Blindness Program works to save sight and restore vision whenever it is medically possible. Services include: mobile eye examination unit; vision screening for preschool and school-age children; on-site screening at institutions and in communities; special diabetic outreach program; and other specialized eye screening programs which target historically underserved populations (i.e. minorities, the elderly, migrant farm workers, etc.)

SNAP: Total Seniors Participating

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program is a federal program designed to assist low income individuals in purchasing food through an electronic benefits card, similar to a debit card. Senior citizens, many of whom are on fixed incomes, are an underrepresented population of those potentially eligible to receive benefits. The Division of Family Development plans to increase the percentage of eligible seniors participating by 10% during the federal fiscal year 2011 from a June 30, 2010 level of 70,438.
In July 2009, the Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) began transferring the first group of almost 20,000 individuals from DDD case managers to the Division of Disability Services’ (DDS) Office of Information and Assistance Services, where their primary contact for all service-related questions will be nationally-certified Information and Referral Specialists. Many of these individuals, who will be slowly transferred in groups over the next year, are under the age of 22, live with their families, attend public schools and are currently in need of information about insurance, benefits, transportation, education, future employment and resources that are provided by organizations other than DDD.