## **SNBC Guiding Principles**

## To Design, Implement, Evaluate, And Improve Services For Persons with Disabilities

#### **RELATIONSHIP**

Relationships are promoted, nurtured and honored so that people with disabilities are able to plan with and be supported by those who know and care about them.

## **COORDINATION**

Primary and acute healthcare and community supports are provided seamlessly so that the quality of life for people with disabilities is maintained and enhanced.

## **AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY**

People with disabilities have control over and accept the consequences of their decisions regarding their support and services so that choice and risk are balanced within their lives.

## **EQUITY**

A common method is used for assessing needs and assigning resources so that people with disabilities with similar needs have access to comparable resources.

### **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

Health and safety protections are established to balance each person's vulnerabilities, right to accept reasonable risk, and responsibility to society.

### **FLEXIBILITY**

System design and funding are flexible so people can develop support in ways that best meet their needs.

#### **CULTURAL DIVERSITY**

Information, communication, support and services are developed and delivered in a culturally relevant context.

# TRANSPARENCY

Service options, outcomes, regulations and funding are understandable so people with disabilities can make informed decisions and the public can evaluate the system.

# **HEALTHCARE**

Health care is delivered by clinicians with experience serving people with disabilities and the care provided is based on early intervention, prevention and management of chronic conditions.