



*Connecting Individuals with Disabilities to Their Community*

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## **COMMUNITY BRIDGES EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR RECEIVES LEADERSHIP DECISION MAKING CERTIFICATION FROM HARVARD UNIVERSITY JOHN F. KENNEDY SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT**

(Concord, New Hampshire) – Community Bridges, an agency that connects individuals with disabilities and their families with resources that help them achieve positive growth and change, announced today that Executive Director Roy Gerstenberger has been awarded a certificate of completion for the Leadership Decision Making program at Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Executive Education.

The Leadership Decision Making program teaches participants the skills they need to become “decision architects” – leaders who can design optimal decision making environments within their organizations and improve overall organizational performance. Using research, case studies and real-time activities, it allows participants to examine both the scientific basis for and the practical aspects of judgment and decision making. Lead by Dr. Jennifer Lerner, director of the Harvard Decision Science Laboratory, the course was attended by 67 participants from 12 different nations, including representatives from the intelligence community, international finance, United Nations, military, government, and non-profit corporations.

“Community Bridges is an organization of many moving parts – we work with individuals and families and we assist them in identifying and establishing relationships with the many different service agencies that are out there to help them,” said Gerstenberger. “Taking this great program at Harvard allows me to continually sharpen my decision-making and leadership skills which I can then bring back and share with all of the managers at Community Bridges to ensure we serve our community as efficiently as possible.”

### **About Community Bridges**

Community Bridges connects individuals with disabilities and their families with resources that help them achieve positive growth and change. By managing a support network of community resources, Community Bridges matches individuals with disabilities to opportunities that help them realize their greatest potential through an individualized plan.

Serving individuals with disabilities of all ages and financial backgrounds, Community Bridges is a not-for-profit organization that solidifies funding and fosters relationships with a trusted network of organizations throughout the community to ensure the best opportunities for individuals in the areas of Early Childhood Services, Residential and Day Services, Career Development, Homecare Services, Self-Directed Services, and Individual and Family Support. For more information call 603-225-4153 or visit [www.communitybridgesnh.org](http://www.communitybridgesnh.org).

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