Policy Transmittal
Developmental Disabilities Services

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UPDATE #22

Topic: Developmental Disabilities

Transmitting (check the box that best applies):
- New policy
- Policy change
- Policy clarification
- Executive letter
- Administrative Rule
- Manual update
- Other:

Applies to (check all that apply):
- All DHS employees
- Area Agencies on Aging: {Select type}
- Aging and People with Disabilities
- Self Sufficiency Programs
- County DD Program Managers
- Support Service Brokerage Directors
- ODDS Children’s Residential Services
- Child Welfare Programs
- County Mental Health Directors
- Health Services
- Office of Developmental Disabilities Services (ODDS)
- ODDS Children’s Intensive In Home Services
- Stabilization and Crisis Unit (SACU)
- Other (please specify): All DD Provider Agencies; Individuals; and Families

Policy/rule title: ODDS Reopening Policy Worker's Guides and Updates
Policy/rule number(s):

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Expiration date: To Be Announced

DHS 0079 (01.19)
Due to recent increases in cases and hospitalizations resulting from COVID-19, the Reopening Guides are being updated to show:
- A pause in in-person case management monitoring requirements pending refined guidance.
- Mask requirements for nearly all agency staff and independent providers, indoors and outside, in all settings, regardless of distance from an individual or vaccination status of the individual or agency employee.
- Resumption of visitor logs to assist with contact tracing.
- Return to reduced training requirements for DSPs (pre-July 2021 standards).
- Group DSA and non-essential business employment path services (such as classes) can only happen if 80 percent of staff are vaccinated. No more than six people (including staff) are allowed in a cohort.

**Discussion/interpretation:**

ODDS’ COVID-19 policy for various provider types is contained in the following Reopening Worker’s Guides:

- Case Management Entities (CMEs):
- 24 Hour Residential and Foster Care Providers:
- Employment and Day Support Activities Providers: Employment and DSA Reopening Worker's Guide
- Supported Living Providers: Supported Living Reopening Worker's Guide
- In-Home Agency Providers: In-Home Agency Reopening Worker's Guide
- Licensor: Licensing Reopening Worker's Guide

Transmittals aimed at other provider types (including Personal Support Workers [PSWs] and Behavior Consultants) will remain in place.

ODDS COVID related information is posted here.

The following COVID-19 related transmittals are obsolete:
- Informational Memoranda (all year 2020): 024, 028, 031, 032, 040, 045, 048, 050.
- Policy Transmittals (all year 2020): 015, 018, 021, 023, 024, 027, 028, 029, 030, 031, 035, 036, 037, 038, 039, 042, 043, 044, 046, 049, 050, 052, 053, 055, 056, 057, 058, 059, 061, 062, 063, 066, 067, 068, 073, 092.

The following transmittals remain valid are not incorporated into a guide:

AR-20-030 Behavior Professionals with expiring “G” level OIS certificates
AR-20-031 COVID-19 Scenarios Tools
AR-20-037 ODDS COVID-19 Staffing Support
AR-20-039 PSW Request for lost payment Hardship Benefit (PTO)
AR-20-042 Temporary Changes to CDDP Adult Abuse Investigation Practice
AR-20-049 Information to report to ODDS re: individual and paid providers
AR-20-051 PSW Payment Processing Changes
AR-20-055 Training Opportunity Through Open Future Learning
AR-20-059 Notification of potential COVID-19 exposure
IM-20-026 Behavior Professionals and home visits during CV19
IM-20-041 PPE Masks and Gloves for Personal Support Workers
IM-20-116 Attendant Care Services and School
IM-20-125 COVID compliance assistance
PT-20-025 Presumed Eligibility Guidance
PT-20-045 "Stay at Home, Save Lives," Executive Order 20-12
PT-20-048 Temporary policy changes to (PASRR) process
PT-20-064 COVID-19 CARES Act benefits and resources
PT-20-069 LTCR Extension for DD Providers in eXPRS
PT-20-071 Department funding of Assistive Technology
PT-20-075 Scenarios and Reporting requirements for COVID-19
PT-20-079 COVID-19 and CAM Reporting
PT-20-083 COVID-19 and CAM Reporting for Abuse Investigations and Death Reviews
PT-20-111 OIS Expiration Extension for Independent Providers of Professional Behavior Services

Training/communication plan:
This transmittal will be discussed during the next Monthly Transmittal Review. These meetings are held the second Wednesday of every month at 2 pm using the TEAMS platform. The link to participate is here: Join Microsoft Teams Meeting, or you can call 971-277-2343 using conference ID: 468 508 153# to hear only the audio portion of the meeting. Please send questions in advance to ODDS.Questions@dhsoha.state.or.us.

Field/stakeholder review:  ☐ Yes  ☑ No

If yes, reviewed by:

If you have any questions about this policy, contact:

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