Policy Transmittal
Developmental Disabilities Services

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Topic: Developmental Disabilities

Due date:

Transmitting (check the box that best applies):
- [ ] New policy
- [ ] Policy change
- [ ] Policy clarification
- [ ] Executive letter
- [ ] Administrative Rule
- [x] 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
- [x] County DD Program Managers
- [x] Support Service Brokerage Directors
- [x] ODDS Children’s Residential Services
- [ ] Child Welfare Programs
- [ ] County Mental Health Directors
- [ ] Health Services
- [ ] Office of Developmental Disabilities Services (ODDS)
- [x] ODDS Children’s Intensive In Home Services
- [ ] Stabilization and Crisis Unit (SACU)
- [ ] Other (please specify): All DD Provider Agencies; Individuals; and Families

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References:


Updates for 11/4/2021

The CME reopening guide was updated to:
- Allow ISPs and ONAs to be extended by up to a year.
- Incorporate guidance around authorization of assistive technology.
- Correct annual case manager training requirements.

(Please note the information below about the monthly transmittal call has changed)

It has come to ODDS' attention that the announcement by the Office for Civil Rights that it has suspended it's HIPAA enforcement has led to mixed understanding as to how that relates to text messaging. To clarify, texting is considered within the OCR description of telehealth and is an acceptable means of service delivery during the pandemic, including case management services. It should be used only when an individual prefers it to other forms of communication.

End of updates for 11/4/2021
The following COVID-19 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 but 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
**Training/communication plan:**
This transmittal will be discussed during the next Monthly Transmittal Review. Please send questions in advance to ODDS.Questions@dhsoha.state.or.us.

The Monthly Transmittal Reviews are held the second Wednesday of every month at 2 pm using the Zoom platform. Please register in advance for these meetings:
https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJIscqvqD8iGURx5OQk8TAdlS6Arg9ZAf4

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing an appointment and information about joining the meeting. American Sign Language (ASL) and live captioning will be provided. To request other accommodations or languages, please send an email to ODDS.Questions@dhsoha.state.or.us at least three business days prior to the meeting.

**Field/stakeholder review:**  
☐ Yes  ☒ No

**If yes, reviewed by:**

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If you have any questions about this policy, contact:

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