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Training Opportunity: The Impact of Culture on Person-Centered Planning

On Tuesday, February 17, 2015 from 11:00am-12:00pm OPWDDs Office of Diversity, Inclusion and Special Projects and The Division of Person Centered Supports will be hosting a WebEx training titled *The Impact of Culture on Person-Centered Planning*. This WebEx will provide an overview on how culture impacts person-centered planning and the work of the service coordinator as well as touch upon the new HCBS Final Rule as it pertains to Person Centered Planning requirements and what is expected from the planning process. A flyer providing further information about this training is attached to this E-Visory. To register for this online training please use the following link:

<https://meetny.webex.com/meetny/onstage/g.php?MTID=eef42c67b4afeab6046f421e32b026d47>

Training Opportunity for Service Coordinators and Support Brokers: Supporting Employment

OPWDD sponsors the Innovations in Employment Supports Training Series which is hosted by The Center for Human Services Education. A new half-day workshop for Service Coordinators and Support Brokers is being offered titled *Supporting Employment: Medicaid Service Coordinators / Brokers*. This course will provide a comprehensive overview of NYS OPWDD employment initiatives, program eligibility and techniques for supporting job seekers with disabilities who are engaged in the process. This workshop is being offered in multiple locations on a variety of days. **Registration is accepted until two weeks before the class date. A detailed confirmation WITH LOCATION will be sent two weeks prior to each class date.** To review registration options and register please visit the following link:

<http://www.humanservicesed.org/Default.aspx?RD=4374>

Individualized Service Plan (ISP) Instructions Appendix Has Been Updated

OPWDD has updated page nine of the Individualized Service Plan (ISP) Instructions titled Appendix. This page of the ISP Instructions provides a listing of HCBS Waiver Services and frequency which corresponds to the billing unit of service and how it should be listed in the Waiver section of the ISP. This document can be accessed at the following link:

http://www.opwdd.ny.gov/opwdd_services_supports/service_coordination/medicaid_service_coordination/documents/ISP_Instructions_Final

Attention Medicaid Service Coordinators in New York City and Long Island

The New York State Office For People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) has asked the University of New Hampshire's Institute on Disability (IOD) to conduct a survey of how the current service system in

New York City and Long Island serves individuals with an Intellectual or Developmental Disability (ID/DD) and a co-occurring mental/behavioral health challenge. This survey is for people who work in any aspect of the mental health or ID/DD field and is designed to look at the services currently available in New York City and Long Island and where they might need to be strengthened or improved. We are hoping to collect as many responses as possible from any staff connected to mental health or ID/DD services in **New York City or Long Island only**, so please take a few minutes to complete this online survey.

If you work in New York City please use the following link:

[New York City Community Support Services Survey](#)

If you work in Long Island please use the following link:

[Long Island Community Services Survey](#)

The goal is to collect approximately 5000 responses from people who work in the mental health or ID/DD field across New York City and Long Island, so please forward this link to as many people within your organization and/or contact list as possible and ask them to complete it and forward it as well. If you have any problems with the link, please feel free to email Ann Klein at ann.klein@unh.edu

Links to OPWDD Waiver Services Now Available on New York's Open Data Portal

New York's Open Data Portal is a new website that brings local, state and federal data into one place. This website features economic development, health, recreation, public service information and now also features a comprehensive listing of OPWDD's Home and Community Based Service Providers. This information can be found at <https://data.ny.gov> and is a great resource for service coordinators as well as individuals and families who are receiving and/or seeking services.

Registration Is Now Open for the 2015 MSC Supervisors Conferences

Registration is now open for the 2015 MSC Supervisors Conferences which will be held from 9:30am – 12:30pm on March 11, 2015; June 10, 2015; September 9, 2015; and December 9, 2015. These conferences will be broadcast to multiple OPWDD DDRO sites via videoconference and the option for WebEx participation is also available. Agenda topics and materials for these sessions will be announced via MSC E-Visory prior to each session.

Registration can be accessed at: http://www3.opwdd.ny.gov/wp/wp_catalogc1310.jsp



Cultural Competence Webinar

**PLEASE NOTE NEW
DATE AND TIME!**



*** This Webinar is open to ALL OPWDD and provider agency employees***

The Impact of Culture on Person-Centered Planning

Tuesday, February 17, 2015

11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

*Hosted by the OPWDD Office of Diversity, Inclusion and Special Projects and
The Division of Person-Centered Supports, Statewide MSC*

Presenter:

Nicole Weinstein, Assistant Director

Office of Diversity, Inclusion and Special Projects

The presenter will offer information about how culture impacts person-centered planning and the work of Medicaid Service Coordinators (MSCs). The presentation will also touch upon the new HCBS Final Rule PCP requirements and what is expected from the planning process. CEU credit will be available for MSCs.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to the fact that registration for this Webinar **will not** be going through the OPWDD Training Catalog, **training certificates will not be issued.** MSCs and/or MSC supervisors who attend this training in full **will need to document this on their personal training record and have it signed by their supervisor, attesting to their attendance.**

Please follow this link to register:

<https://meetny.webex.com/meetny/onstage/g.php?MTID=eef42c67b4afeab6046f421e32b026d47>