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### **Reminder: Statewide MSC Supervisors Conference – June 12, 2013**

The MSC Supervisors Summer Conference, on June 12, 2013, is being broadcast to multiple DDSO sites via video conference and webinar in the morning (9:30 am – 12:30 pm) and repeated in the afternoon (1:00 pm – 4:00 pm). Materials for this conference will be made available via MSC E-Visory the week prior to the session. For registration information go to:

[Catalog of Training and Talent Development Programs](#)

#### **Agenda:**

- MSC Hot Topics
- Benefits & Entitlements
- Transition Planning
- Employment
- Language Access
- Faith Based Initiative Program

### **CORE Training Opportunity**

Catholic Charities will be facilitating CORE training on May 21, 2013 at the **Brooklyn** DDSO (Building 1, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room) from 9:00 am – 4:30 pm. People wishing to register can contact:

Kathy Smith at (718) 953-0097 Ext. 1012

For a listing of other training opportunities visit OPWDD's Catalog of Training and Talent Development Programs at:

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### **Of Special Interest to Those Supporting People in Consolidated Supports and Services**

An updated version of the Policy on the Provision of Outside Services in Combination with Consolidated Supports and Services (CSS) monthly has been issued for services delivered on or after October 1, 2012. The updated version of this policy, which is attached to this E-Visory, outlines which services may not be billed separately for those individuals who participate in CSS monthly as well as helpful reminders for FMS agencies, DDRO CSS Liaisons and Brokers. Please contact Emilie Wright, OPWDD CSS Coordinator at [emilie.wright@opwdd.ny.gov](mailto:emilie.wright@opwdd.ny.gov) for further information.

**Policy on the Provision of Outside Services in Combination with  
Consolidated Supports and Services (CSS) Monthly  
(effective for services delivered on or after 10/1/2012)**

For individuals who participate in *CSS (Monthly) – Residential Only (CSS RES)*, the following services may **not** be separately billed to eMedNY (the Medicaid payment system):

- Community Habilitation – Phase I (hourly billed in quarter hour increments)
- IRA/CR Residential Habilitation
- Community Habilitation – Phase II
- Family Care Residential Habilitation
- Hourly Respite Services
- Freestanding Respite Services
- Options for People through Services (OPTS) Comprehensive Supervised/Supportive IRA Residential Habilitation

For individuals who participate in *CSS (Monthly) – Other Than Residential (CSS OTR)*, the following services may **not** be separately billed to eMedNY:

- Day Habilitation
- Prevocational Services
- Supported Employment (including Enhanced SEMP (ESEMP), Employment Training Program (ETP))
- Day Treatment Services
- OMH Continuing Day Services
- DOH Adult Day Services
- OPTS Blended Services (DP, DPS, PS, DP)
- OPTS Comprehensive Supervised/Supportive IRA Residential Habilitation

For individuals who participate in *CSS Both (CSS RES and CSS OTR)* the following services may **not** be separately billed to eMedNY:

- Community Habilitation – Phase I (hourly billed in quarter hour increments)
- IRA/CR Residential Habilitation
- Community Habilitation – Phase II
- Family Care Residential Habilitation
- Hourly Respite Services
- Freestanding Respite Services
- Day Habilitation
- Prevocational Services
- Supported Employment (including Enhanced SEMP (ESEMP), Employment Training Program (ETP))
- OPTS Blended Services (DP, DPS, PS, DP)
- OPTS Comprehensive Supervised/Supportive IRA Residential Habilitation
- Day Treatment Services
- OMH Continuing Day Services
- DOH Adult Day Services.

For all CSS participants, the following service may **not** be separately billed to eMedNY:

- Family Education and Training

For all CSS participants, the following service is not allowed (reason why provided):

- Plan of Care Support Services – Medicaid Service Coordination (MSC) is required

For all CSS participants, the following services **must be** funded outside of CSS:

- Environmental Modifications
- Adaptive Technology
- Intensive Behavioral Services

**Reminder to FMS agencies:** You should be reviewing the CSS participant's ISP each time you receive an ISP or an addendum or attend an ISP review to make sure that there are no services included in the ISP that conflict with the individual's CSS Plan/Budget. If you find a conflict, you need to bring it to the attention of the CSS participant, circle of support, broker, MSC and DDRO CSS Liaison immediately, document your action in notifying them of the conflict, and follow-up to be sure that the conflict is resolved.

**Reminder to DDRO CSS Liaisons:** You should be reviewing ISPs when you receive them to make sure that there are no services included in the ISP that conflict with the individual's CSS Plan/Budget. You also need to ensure that the CSS participant is not enrolled in TABS in any service that conflicts with the CSS Plan/Budget. If you find a conflict, you need to bring it to the attention of the CSS participant, circle of support, broker, MSC and FMS agency and follow-up to be sure that the conflict is resolved.

**Reminder to Brokers:** You need to be aware of all of the services that an individual with whom you are working is receiving or considering, and ensure that the individual is not receiving any services outside of the CSS Plan/Budget that conflict with the CSS Plan/Budget and need therefore to be either included in the CSS Plan/Budget or stopped. If you think there is a conflict, you need to bring it to the attention of the CSS participant, circle of support, MSC, DDRO CSS Liaison and FMS agency and follow-up to be sure that the conflict is resolved.