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Community Dialogues on Employment

OPWDD will be convening community dialogues to solicit feedback from families, providers and self advocates on next steps related to implementation of the Employment Transformation Plan. Please refer to the attached document titled “Community Dialogues on Employment” for further information regarding the feedback being requested, dates and times dialogues will be held, and how to participate.

Medicaid Service Coordination Conference in New York City

The MSC Supervisors Development Team is pleased to announce the Seventh Annual Supervisors Conference, “Keep Calm and Supervise On” scheduled for Thursday, October 30, 2014 at the Sheraton LaGuardia East Hotel in Flushing, New York. Though this conference will take place in NYC, providers from all over the state are welcome to attend. The conference is open to supervisors from day programs, residences, and service coordination. There is no deadline to register however; the location is limited to the first 200 people. Please refer to the attached registration form for further information.

Online Training Opportunity

On Wednesday, October 29, 2014 from 1:00pm-2:00pm OPWDDs Office of Diversity Management will be hosting a WebEx training titled “Why is Health Literacy Important to YOU?” Service Coordinators may receive professional development credit for attending. Please refer to the attached flyer for further details on the training and how to participate.

Quality Assurance Including Incident Review Training for Service Coordinators

SAVE THE DATE: On September 30, 2014 from 9:00am-1:00pm OPWDDs Division of Quality Improvement will be hosting Quality Assurance Training for Service Coordinators. This training will provide information on the survey process, MSC delivery and documentation, and incident management review and reporting procedures for Title 14, parts 624 and 625. **Registration is not yet open, an MSC E-Visory will be issued once registration is open.**



Home and Community Based Settings Regulation and Person Centered Planning Requirements

SAVE THE DATE: OPWDD will be hosting an information session for Service Coordinators on the recently promulgated Home and Community Based Settings Regulations and Person Centered Planning Requirements. The following session will focus solely on the Person Centered Planning requirement. This information is being presented on two separate days. This is not a mandatory training, however all service coordinators should try to attend one of the scheduled sessions as this information is pertinent to Individualized Service Plan (ISP) development as well as Person Centered Planning practices. These sessions will be held on:

- Thursday, October 23, 2014 from 10:00am – 12:00pm
- Friday, October 24, 2014 from 11:00am -1:00pm

For convenience videoconference locations across the state will be secured for this training. **Registration is not yet open, an MSC E-Visory will be issued once registration is open.**

Training Opportunity: Pathway to Employment

OPWDD recently launched a new Home and Community Based Waiver Service, Pathway to Employment. This is a person-centered planning and support service that provides assistance for individuals to obtain, maintain or advance in competitive employment or self-employment. OPWDD's Division of Person Centered Supports will be hosting a statewide videoconference training session on this new waiver service on Monday, September 15, 2014 from 1:00pm – 3:00pm. This training will provide an overview of the service as well as documentation and planning requirements. **Registration is not yet open, an MSC E-Visory will be issued once registration is open.**

Community Dialogues on Employment

OPWDD will convene Community Dialogues to solicit feedback from families, providers and self advocates on next steps related to implementation of the Employment Transformation Plan which was finalized on May 1, 2014. The employment plan is available on OPWDD's website: http://www.opwdd.ny.gov/opwdd_services_supports/employment_for_people_with_disabilities/draft-plan-increase-employment-opps

OPWDD is requesting feedback on the following:

1. Funding and/or programmatic strategies that could assist in the successful implementation of the Employment Transformation Plan.
2. Strategies that could support delivery of the new Pathway to Employment service which is designed to assist individuals receiving OPWDD services with the successful transition to integrated competitive employment.
3. Models of integrated employment that promote opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities to be employed in the community.
4. Strategies to assist individuals with significant behavioral or medical needs who are interested in obtaining integrated competitive employment.
5. Strategies to engage individuals, who will not be transitioning to competitive employment, into other meaningful community activities.
6. Strategies to better coordinate and/or provide transportation that will enable individuals to travel to employment opportunities.
7. Technical assistance that could help providers in transitioning to business models consistent with the Home and Community Based Settings (HCBS) Waiver regulation definition of "community settings."

Registration

To register, contact Allyson Fregeau at allyson.b.fregeau@opwdd.ny.gov. If you are unable to attend but would like to provide written comments, please email Allyson Fregeau or send mail to

Allyson Fregeau
44 Holland Ave 4th floor
Albany, NY 12229

For general information on the Community Dialogues please contact the Office of Employment and Meaningful Activities at 518-473-9697.

Community Dialogues on Employment Dates and Locations

Region 1

August 20th Western- West Seneca Room 153 (2:00pm to 4:00pm)

August 21st Finger Lakes- Rochester 25 Leaf (11:00am-1:00pm)

Region 2

October 1st Binghamton- Classroom 6 (3:00pm-6:00pm)

October 1st Sunmount via Video Conference-Bldg 3, 2nd floor Conference Room (3:00pm-6:00pm)

October 6th Syracuse- Regional Training Room (3:00pm-6:00pm)

Region 3

September 9th Hudson Valley- Jervis Gymnasium 11 Wilbur Rd (3:00pm to 6:00pm)

September 12th Taconic- Wassaic 2nd floor Conference Room (3:00pm-6:00pm)

October 7th Capital District- OD Heck Room 2 (3:00pm-6:00pm)

Region 4

August 26th Staten Island- 12G Conference Room (3:00pm-6:00pm)

September 17th Bernard Fineson- VC Room (3:00pm-6:00pm)

September 18th Metro Beaver St- Large Conference Room 3100 (3:00pm-6:00pm)

September 18th Metro Bronx- Video Conference (3:00pm-6:00pm)

Region 5

September 22nd Long Island Oser Ave- Multi Purpose Room (3:00pm-6:00pm)



**The Supervisors Team Presents:
The Seventh Annual Supervisors Conference**

**Thursday October 30, 2014
Sheraton LaGuardia East Hotel
135-20 39th Ave
Flushing, NY 11354**

“KEEP CALM and SUPERVISE ON”



SUPERVISORS CONFERENCE

“KEEP CALM and SUPERVISE ON”

9:00 ~ 9:45 ~ Registration & Light Breakfast ~

~~ Welcome & Greetings ~~

Keeva Jackson-Breland, OPWDD

9:45~ 10:45~ Ceylane Meyers-Ruff , OPWDD

“PATHWAYS TO EMPLOYMENT”

10:45-11:45~ Keynote Speaker~

~ Dr. Louis Gilbert~

Associate Executive Director IAHD

11:45 ~ 12:00 - Break ~ Networking Game

12:00~12:45~ Guest Speaker~

~GERALD HUBER ~

Deputy Commissioner for OPWDD

Division of Person - Centered Supports

12:45~1:45 ~ LUNCH & NETWORKING

~2:00 ~ 3:15 ~WORKSHOPS ~

- A. Medicaid Service Coordination ~ Anne Swartwout, OPWDD**
- B. The Front Door ~ Frieda Omezi, OPWDD**
- C.. Consolidated Supports & Services ~ Kate Bishop, OPWDD**
- D. Keep Calm and Supervise On ~ Gnane Sinha, AABR**

3:30 ~ Business Card Raffle

You must be present to win.

IPAD Mini, Galaxy Note Pad or Kindle Fire

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NYS Office For People With Developmental Disabilities

Putting People First

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Thursday October 30, 2014

SHERATON LAGUARDIA EAST HOTEL

135-20 39TH AVE

FLUSHING, NY 11354



The SEVENTH Annual Supervisors Conference

Registration Fee Required is \$80.00

Name: _____

Agency: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

If Kosher Lunch is required check here _____

Select one workshop: __ A __ B __ C __ D __

(The first 50 people to register will be entered into a raffle for a chance to win a Gift Card to Massage Envy)

NO REGISTRATION AT THE DOOR

(Limited to first 200 guests)

Please make check/money order for \$80.00 payable to:

Independent Living Association/CMS

Stephanie Mays

110 York Street 4th Floor

Brooklyn, NY 11201

If you have any questions please contact:

**Keeva Jackson at (718) 642-3816 or keeva.jackson@opwdd.ny.gov
Stephanie Mays at (718) 852-2000 Ext. 123 or smays@ilaonline.org**



Cultural Competence Webinar



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

Why is Health Literacy Important to YOU?

Wednesday, October 29, 2014

1 to 2 p.m.

Hosted by the OPWDD Office of Diversity Management

Presenter: Winston Lawrence, Ed.D., Senior Professional Development Associate,

The Literacy Assistance Center, New York City

The presenter will provide answers to the questions: What do health literacy and cultural competence have in common? Why are these concepts important to YOU as a service provider. National data indicates that most U.S. adults have difficulty reading, interpreting, and acting on health information. Since 2003, The Literacy Assistance Center, located in New York City, has provided professional training to adult literacy teachers and health professionals on ways of addressing health literacy classrooms and in medical and public health settings. Dr. Lawrence has been responsible for implementing the LAC's Health Literacy initiative in New York City. This project has involved providing staff development to teachers, instructors, and tutors around a skills-based approach to the teaching of health literacy. He also has conducted workshops for public health and medical professionals around health literacy and cultural competence awareness and strategies.

Topic: Why is Health Literacy Important to YOU?
Date: Wednesday, October 29, 2014
Time: 1:00 pm, Eastern Daylight Time (New York, GMT-04:00)
Meeting Number: 647 586 703
Meeting Password: Samuelr01!

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2. If requested, enter your name and email address.
3. If a password is required, enter the meeting password: Samuelr01!
4. Click "Join".

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<https://meetny.webex.com/meetny/j.php?MTID=m32cd4186956cd7173db8d43551dd7075>

To join the audio conference only

1. Provide your number when you join the meeting to receive a call back. Alternatively, you can call one of the following numbers:
Local: 1-518-549-0500
Toll Free: 1-844-633-8697
Alternate Toll Free - (For callers not able to call the 844 Toll Free Number): 1-866-776-3553
2. Follow the instructions that you hear on the phone.
Your Cisco Unified MeetingPlace meeting ID: 647 586 703

For assistance

1. Go to <https://meetny.webex.com/meetny/mc>
2. On the left navigation bar, click "Support".

You can contact me at:
nicole.weinstein@opwdd.ny.gov
1-518-402-4244

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<https://meetny.webex.com/meetny/j.php?MTID=m43c5003c249fd2b09c224d1c3fdf14e0>

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<http://www.webex.com>