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The MSC E-Visory is an electronic advisory distributed to MSC Supervisors. Each issue provides pertinent and timely information about programs and services available to individuals receiving MSC. Announcements about MSC training, conferences and meetings appear regularly. **MSC Supervisors: Please forward this issue to all MSC Service Coordinators and others as appropriate.**

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REMINDER

Statewide MSC Supervisors Video Conferences: August 12, 2010 and September 15, 2010.

Note: The MSC Supervisors Video Conferences on August 12, 2010 and September 15, 2010 have been extended to 3 hours.

AM Sessions:	9:30 am – 12:30 pm
PM Sessions	1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

August 12, 2010: OPWDD staff will provide an overview of the upcoming changes to MSC effective October 1, 2010.

September 15, 2010: OPWDD staff will present revisions to the MSC forms and the billing standards.

MSC Supervisors can earn 3 hours of professional development credits. The video conferences are being broadcast to multiple DDSO sites in the morning and repeated to multiple DDSO sites in the afternoon. This should provide the opportunity for all MSC Supervisors working for a voluntary agency or for a DDSO to participate in either a morning or afternoon session.

For registration information go to:

http://www.omr.state.ny.us/wp/wp_catalogc1310.jsp

21st Issue: OPWDD's Catalog of Training and Talent Development Programs

The OPWDD 21st Catalog of Training and Talent Development Programs is now available. The catalog contains all the information needed to register for training sessions being offered by OPWDD at sites throughout New York State from September 2010 – February 2011.

Included are the six (6) MSC required courses as well as old and new topics vital to the delivery of quality service coordination. MSC service coordinators should register for all courses as soon as possible.

<http://www.omr.state.ny.us/wp/index.jsp>

Public Hearing on the draft Statewide Comprehensive Plan: 2010-2014

Separately attached is the announcement for the Public Hearing on the 5.07 Plan scheduled for August 23, 2010. Please forward this announcement to all Medicaid Service Coordinators and ask that they share it with individuals and families who may wish to provide testimony to OPWDD.

In addition, OPWDD is administering an online planning survey to obtain feedback from all stakeholders. See the link below. Please take some time to take the survey and share it with individuals, families, and staff.

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NTJGGQH>



The State of New York Office for People with Developmental Disabilities

Announces a Public Hearing on the draft of the

Statewide Comprehensive Plan: 2010 – 2014 ***“We help people with developmental disabilities live richer lives.”***

August 23, 2010 3:30pm – 5:30pm

The Public Hearing will be held at three locations in the state and will be conducted as a live video conference with Acting Commissioner Max E. Chmura. Acting Commissioner Chmura will attend the Schenectady location and will participate via video conference at the other two locations.

OPWDD intends to utilize the ideas, suggestions, and comments received through the Public Hearing to further refine the proposed Statewide Comprehensive Plan for services. OPWDD urges self-advocates, family members, non-profit providers, professionals, advocates, and other interested parties to participate in the hearing.

The draft Statewide Comprehensive Plan for services reflects OPWDD’s Mission and Vision Statements and sets forth continuing plans for implementing a transformational agenda around supporting people with developmental disabilities to enjoy meaningful relationships, experience personal health and growth, live in a home of their choice, and fully participate in their communities. The draft Plan will be available on OPWDD’s website at www.omr.state.ny.us as of August 16, 2010.

Speakers will be asked to register in advance of the public hearing, limit their comments to three (3) minutes, and bring two (2) copies of the testimony. Due to space limitations at some sites, it is recommended that attendees also register. Locations and contacts for registration are listed below.

Written testimony can also be submitted to Ray Pierce at OPWDD, 44 Holland Avenue, Albany, NY 12229 or via e-mail at Raymond.L.Pierce@omr.state.ny.us.

For general information about the Public Hearing, please contact OPWDD’s Bureau of Planning:

Phone: (518) 474-4904 Fax: (518) 473-0054

To register to speak, obtain more information or directions to the hearing location, or to arrange for a special accommodation, please contact the staff person at the public hearing location nearest you.

Schenectady

Capital District DDSO/O.D. Heck Developmental Center
500 Balltown Road, Schenectady, NY 12304
Building 3, Conference Room 2
Contact: Cris Christodulu (518) 370-7429
Cris.Christodulu@omr.state.ny.us

New York City

NYCRO/Metro New York DDSO
75 Morton Street, New York, NY 10014
Activities Center – 1st Floor
Contact: Hilsy Joseph (212) 229-3216
Hilsy.Joseph@omr.state.ny.us

Rochester

Finger Lakes DDSO/Monroe Developmental Center
620 Westfall Road, Rochester, NY 14620
Room 3/4 and Room 25 Leaf
Contact: Tracy Scott: (585) 241-5729
Tracy.L.Scott@omr.state.ny.us

****Also note that OPWDD is collecting information for the Plan through a brief survey on the website at www.omr.state.ny.us. Please take a few minutes to complete it.***