



DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY

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DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Sent on Behalf of DES/DDD

PROPOSED QUALIFIED VENDOR AGREEMENT CHANGES

Target Audience - Qualified Vendors and Providers

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DDD has been working with Burns & Associates (a Division of Health Management Associates) and the Human Services Research Institute since September 2019 on a project to improve the quality of services our members receive. Over the last year and a half, with the input of various stakeholders including vendors, providers, members and families, improving the Qualified Vendor Agreement (QVA) was identified as one way to support vendors in delivering high quality services to DDD members.

Several meetings were held and staff from Burns & Associates or HSRI presented at DDD's monthly town hall meetings in 2020 and 2021 outlining the work done to develop these proposed changes and to explain how the public comment process will work. After reviewing comments submitted through the 60-day public comment period, June 28, 2021 through August 27, 2021, the Division is reposting one Part that has been revised for additional public comment:

- Part 6O - Habilitation, Enhanced Behavioral Group Home

The revised Part is posted on the [Division's website](#) and public comments will be accepted for 30 days. The Division encourages all Qualified Vendors and Providers to review the documents in-depth and provide detailed feedback during the public comment period.