



ARIZONA
— DEPARTMENT OF —
ECONOMIC SECURITY

Division of Developmental Disabilities Public Town Hall

July 3, 2025

Agenda

- Disability Rights Arizona (DRAZ) COMIT Program Update
- PPCG Public Comment Deadlines

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Disability Rights Arizona

Compliance, Oversight, Monitoring, and
Investigations Team (COMIT) Program



Compliance, Oversight, Monitoring, and Investigations Team (COMIT)

- Who is Disability Rights Arizona (DRAZ)?
 - They are the protection and advocacy agency for Arizonans with disabilities.
 - DRAZ is a not for profit public interest law firm, dedicated to protecting the rights of individuals with a wide range of disabilities.
- About the COMIT Program
 - Created as a result of the passage of House Bill 2865 (HB2865) by the Arizona Legislature on June 23, 2022, and signed into law by the Governor on June 28, 2022.
 - COMIT is responsible for completing in-person monitoring for group homes providing services to members with complex needs.

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The Division and COMIT meet monthly to review findings from the monitoring visits.

Some COMIT findings include:

- Outdated behavior plans;
- Inconsistent vendor documentation;
- A disconnect between the training that DSPs receive and their ability to implement the concepts conveyed in the training;
- Person Centered Service Plan (PCSP) goals that are not in a SMART format; and
- PCSPs with inconsistent service information.

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DDD Quality Assurance and DRAZ Follow Up with Qualified Vendors

- QV Agency Leadership meetings with findings review
- Highlighting systemic issues identified
- Requesting corrective action and offering technical assistance
- On-site visits to homes visited by COMIT to review corrective action implementation
- Upon compliance determination, another follow up visit will be scheduled
- Sustainability is focus, third visit at 10 months to determine sustainment of the corrective action.

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Parent as Paid Caregiver Service (PPCG) Delivery Model Changes

Parents as Paid Caregivers (PPCG)

- Policies and Exhibits (AHCCCS) are open for public comment
 - AHCCCS (May 9 - July 9)
 - DDD (June 9 - July 9)
- Each agency (AHCCCS & DDD) must follow specific requirements for posting comments; an [instruction guide](#) has been developed to help streamline the process for stakeholders
- Helpful tips:
 - If both AHCCCS and DDD have the same policy open, focus on the AHCCCS policy
 - Review and provide feedback on the policies in the order they have been listed in the instruction guide
 - AHCCCS has additional Exhibits (tools for assessing) on their website
 - Use the [Google Form](#) to provide your feedback

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HB2945-PPCG Implementation Timeline

Task	Start Date	End Date
AHCCCS Public Comment Period	May 9	July 9
DDD Public Comment Period	June 9	July 9
40-hour weekly PPCG Service Model Limitation and	July 1	N/A
Single Service Provider Agency Requirement in Effect	July 1	N/A
Review of Public Comments	July 10	July 25
Final Versions of Policies Posted	@ July 28	N/A
Support Coordinator Training	July	September
Policy Revision Effective and Implementation Date	October 1	N/A

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Implemented On July 1, 2025

- All parents providing care under the PPCG Service Model to a minor child(ren) are employed by a single service providing agency (Qualified Vendor). Regardless of the number of children being served.
- All parents providing care under the PPCG Service Model are not exceeding 40 hours per minor child.
- All parents providing care under the PPCG Service Model may not exceed 16 hours in a 24 hour period, regardless of the service.

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Implementation By October 1, 2025

- All Support Coordinators have been trained on the Policies and Tools to implement the new assessment process and additional HB 2945 PPCG Service Model limitations.
- All Support Coordinators will begin implementing policy changes and using the new tools at the member's first planning meeting occurring after October 1, 2025.

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Thank you