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DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Sent on Behalf of DES/DDD

DDD UPDATES - APRIL 15, 2020

Target Audience - Qualified Vendors and Providers

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On April 13, 2020, DDD posted a resource to its [COVID-19 webpage](#) called [Best Practices and Resources for Individual and Group Leisure Activities during the COVID-19 Emergency](#). It is intended to provide ideas for how to prepare, structure, and implement indoor and outdoor activities for DDD members during the COVID-19 emergency.

On April 14, 2020, DDD updated the guidance document, [Parents Temporarily Becoming Direct Care Workers During the COVID-19 Emergency](#), to include clarification that parents (as with all QV employees) must pass the Department of Child Safety (DCS) Central Registry and the Adult Protective Services (APS) Registry checks before they can be paid Direct Care Workers.

On April 15, 2020, DDD posted a new procedure, [Qualified Vendors- Positive COVID-19 Reporting and Technical Assistance](#). Please ensure your agency leadership has reviewed this document and provided training to your Designated Program Lead.

On April 14, 2020, DDD hosted two virtual meetings for Qualified Vendors providing Developmental Home and Group Home Services. The meeting slides will be posted to the DDD website by the end of the week.. DDD will also be updating its COVID 19 FAQs with information specifically for Developmental Home and Group Home providers.

DDD will be hosting two more virtual meetings specifically for Qualified Vendors of Developmental Home and Group Home services. The intent of these meetings is to hear directly from these vendors to better understand the impacts and concerns they are facing from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Vendors are asked to present questions and concerns directly related to the COVID-19 pandemic and the impact it is having on their ability to provide services. As DDD continues to gather as much information as possible to assist in ensuring the needs of members are being addressed appropriately; we want to ensure vendors are able to protect the health & safety of their staff, members and their families.

The meeting schedule and WebEx information to join are as follows:

Developmental Homes

Wednesday, April 22, 2020 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

<https://azgov.webex.com/azgov/j.php?MTID=m9121d3f0480146dbc12ad600e0e6828f>

Meeting number (access code): 287 943 408

Meeting password: DDH1

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Group Homes

Wednesday, April 22, 2020 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

<https://azgov.webex.com/azgov/j.php?MTID=m8952ed22bb1cb0cb53dc4df9854e5713>

Meeting number (access code): 285 227 766

Meeting password: DDGH

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