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Division of Developmental Disabilities

NOTICE AND REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The Division of Developmental Disabilities is seeking public comment on proposed changes to the **Division Behavior Supports Policy Manual Chapter 900-Emergency Measures**

Reason for changes: This policy was updated to state the requirements for the use of an Emergency Measure intervention during an Emergency Safety Situation

Description of changes:

- Added purpose statement
- Added section “Information” on considerations for use of emergency measures
- State two types of emergency measures
 - Physical Intervention Techniques
 - Specific one time use of Psychotropic Medication
- Reporting Requirements
- Language was retained to ensure alignment with Article 9 Requirements.

Dates: Public comment will be open for 30 days beginning February 28, 2024 and closing March 29, 2024. Comments must be received no later than March 29, 2024, 11:59 pm, Arizona time.

Instructions: (Complete instructions are located on the Division’s [webpage](#))

- The policy may be viewed by clicking [here](#).
- Comments may be submitted online by clicking [here](#).
- Use the line numbers to reference specific comments.
- Do not include any information that you consider confidential or inappropriate for public disclosure.

If access to the online form is not available, comments can be submitted by email to the DDD Policy Unit at DDDpolicy@azdes.gov.

- Submit your comments, along with your full name, mailing address, and phone number.
- If you represent an organization, include the organization’s name.

For further information contact the DDD Policy Unit at DDDpolicy@azdes.gov.