



DEPARTMENT OF  
ECONOMIC SECURITY  
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## Division of Developmental Disabilities

### NOTICE AND REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The Division of Developmental Disabilities is seeking public comment on a proposed new **Division Medical Policy, 1022, JUSTICE REACH-IN**. This policy was previously part of a larger policy and has been broken out as a “stand-alone” policy. This policy describes the Division’s Justice Reach In program and the role of the Justice System Liaisons who support Division Members who are involved in the Justice System. This policy

- Emphasizes the importance of the Division’s Justice System Liaison serving as the single point of contact when collaborating with justice system partners to identify, plan, and implement care coordination efforts for Members.
- Describes the Support Coordinator role from the point when they become aware of a Member on their caseload having Justice System involvement.
- Emphasizes that Division staff shall not appear on the Member’s behalf, in the capacity of Division staff, in any court, unless a subpoena has been submitted through the Office of the Attorney General.
- Describes outreach to community partners, including provision of specialized education to local law enforcement and other community partners to facilitate understanding of developmental disabilities in the populations served by the Division.

**Dates:** Public comment will be open for 30 days beginning January 17, 2024, and closing February 16, 2024. Comments must be received no later than February 16, 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](mailto: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](mailto:DDDpolicy@azdes.gov).